Mr Foot's compromise eases crisis over Labour right wing

Party, yesterday persuaded Mr Nevertheless, she opposed Mr Wedgwood Benn to withdraw a Foot's successful compromise motion which in effect demanded motion because it involved accept-

Mr. Mr Foot, leader of the Labour wingers, including Mrs Williams. VILLAS wa pledge of loyalty from right- ing the present party programme.

'Loyalty' resolution withdrawn

Political Correspondent

Taking a realistic view of the Steel plea prospect that the Labour Party will break up into dissident factions if order is not restored, the party national executive the party national executive integrated yesterday to patch up the eft and right-wing groups.

Mr Michael Foot, the leader,

ried to get a compromise at a lational executive meeting that asted about four hours. With he support of Mr Denis lesley, the deputy leader, he and some success and Labour MPs last pight said the result

MPs last pight said the result had been "a draw".

Mr Wedgwood Benn, now a number of the Shadow Cabinet is a result of Mr William lodgers's resignation, was personated to withdraw a long remaded to withdraw a long recolution which, in effect, lemanded an oath of loyalty rom dissident right-wingers. Mr Bean wanted them to sup-port the manifesto which will

be presented at the next general election and called on all individual and affiliated abers of the party to endorse :- this call personally and to seek support for it in all consituency Labour parties . . . Mr Foot offered a compro-mise resolution which declared

that the executive reaffirmed that the sociation to work Labour covernment committed in traditional socialis, principles parliamentary and to partiamentary democracy, "based upon a manifesto agreed between the NEC and the parliamentary ommittee of the Parliamentary abour Party".

That reasserted the role of MPs in deciding the erms of the next manifesto, but of the executive. MPs, andidates, and councillors to amonign against the Torv he programme, principles, and Colicies of the Labour Party". Mrs Shirley Williams agreed vish the method of drawing up he manifesto, but jibbed at the dea that she and her friends hection to "fight for the profarty". She made clear that he disagreed with many items

o that programme. Mrs Williams is a leading personality among those who are launching the new social democratic group in protest at

ON OTHER PAGES Union peace move

Ronald Butt Letters Leading article

various items in Labour's present programme.

Last night Lord Georgea former Labour Cabiner minister, announced that he had become president of the Social Democratic Alliance, the orty, and quite separate from

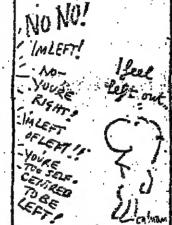
to new grouping.
At yesterday's NEC meeting. Mrs Williams was supported in her arguments by Mr Tom Bradley, Labour MP for Leicester, East, and they both refused to vote for the com-

premise. Mrs Williams moved an amendment to delete the reference to the party pro-

Welcoming the fact that Mr Beor had dropped what she called the "loyalty outh", she said that her 34 years membership of the party should be sufficient guarantee of her devotion to the socialist cause, She said she wanted to "pail her colours to the mast". She was opposed to any suggestion that Britain should withdraw from the EEC and to unilateral

nuclear disarmament Mrs Williams took particular objection to the fact that she was being subjected to inquisition about the activities of the social democratic group.

While the Militant Tendency, IMLEFT!



was permitted to operate as a party within a party she did not see that anyone had any right to ask her any questions at all. Mr Foot then challenged her. He said the real issue was wether she was forming another

weiter she was forming another political party.

Mr Roy Jenkins had clearly stated that that was the objective, Mr Foot said. "If you are engaged in such a proposition, those of us who are staying in the party would fight it tooth and nail." Mr Beng tried to force Mrs

Williams into a declaration that she was leaving the party.
"I say directly to Shirley, it is a matter of morality" Mr. Benn said, "and we have the right to ask you that straight

question."
Mrs Williams replied defiantly, again referring to the free reign given to the extreme left-wing groups. "You will only get that abswer when you put that question to all groups rhe party."
The resolution, which also

referred to the crisis of un-employment caused by the Government's policies, was passed by a majority. Votes

were nor recorded.

Another crucial issue before
the NEC concerned the procedure to be followed by constituency Labour parties in the process of compulsory reselec-tion of MPs and candidates for the next general election.

The model rules for con-

stituency parties to follow, in the reelection process had been submitted by the party's organ-ization committee. It was decided to send them back to he committee for further con-

Mr Dennis Skinner, MP for Bolsover and a member of the NEC, said after the meeting: "Shirley Williams is living on the immoral earnings of the

Labour Party".

A Staff Reporter writes: Mrs
Williams said last night: "I
did not know the Labour Party had immoral earnings. I am amazed to hear it has."
"No need for change": Sir Harold Wilson, in an article in the Liverpool Daily Post today change the leadership election procedure at the recent party conference at Wembley (the Press Association reports). "It was good enough to elect Clement Attlee, Hugh Gaitskell, and the rest of us."

Datsun wins approval to build first car plant in Britain

the European market despite place between the British companies supplying the fact that Japanese car Government and Nissan for ponents. Nissan Datsun, Japan's largest, manufacturers have been under strong attack over the inroads they have made into the Euro-

Nissan Datsun, Japan's largest, car makers, is to establish a manufacturing plant in Britalu.

The company, whose plans have received the approval of the Government, is expected to announce tis scheme in more detail later today. It will involve the construction of a new factory on a "greenfield" site and will almost certainly be located in an assisted area, located in an assisted area, where companies enjoy Government finance in the form of cheap loans and grants. Nissan's announcement is

expected to be followed by a Government steament to Parliament. It is bound to provoke enormous controversy, since it comes within three days since it comes within three days
of the Government agreeing to
provide almost £1,000m to
British Levland to cover the
first two years of the group's
latest recovery plan.
Nissan has been making
detailed studies of prospects in

pean market.'
Talks are taking place in
Tokyo between EEC officials and representatives of the Japanese government aimed at securing Japanese agreement to curb exports of "sensitive items" to the EEC. Fears have mounted in Europe about the effect of Japanese exports on employment in the community. Nissan plant in Britain would mark a departure by the Japanese companies who, until now, have either shipped cars

direct from Japan or have entered into collaborative ventures with European manufacturers. The recent link up be-tween BL and Honda, under which BL will assemble the Triumph Acclaim, was the first venture by the Japanese in the United Kingdom

Discussions have been taking

some Emonths. The possibility of the company making cars in the United Kingdom-and thus providing it with an important springboard into the EEC market-was discussed last year during a visit to Britain by a

Political storm likely over challenge to BL just days after £990m aid is agreed

Japanese trade mission. Government endorsement of the project is bound to provoke a major parliamentary storm since it is, apparently. Nissan's intention to produce medium-sized cars which will compete directly with the LC 10 range which BL is planning to launch in about two years time. BL has earmarked much of the £990m to this project.

If, as expected, Nissan decides to locate its new plant in one of the assisted areas will provide a much-needed to employment. The boost recession is leading to wide-spread redundancies and short time working througout the motor industry and among the ponents.
The Nissan scheme seems

and their European counter- agenda. In the first eight parts which take place in Lismonths of last year Japanese bon early next month, Japanese

to 11.9 per cent. A sales freeze-by Nissan in the United Kingdom which is the largest Japanese exporter to Britain, helped to curb the market share, but it remained higher than expec-

The Society of Motor Manu-facturerers and Traders has made it clear that it wants to secure agreement at the forth-coming talks in Lisbon on the size of the United Kingdom market this year which is expected to be at least 7 per cent on last

The Nissan scheme seems EEC and the Japanese Govern-certain to compromise a new ment, the high level of ship-round of discussions between ments of cars to the European the Japanese car manufacturers Community is at the top of the shipments of cars to the EEC companies have already agreed rose by almost 20 per cent to another year of voluntary compared with the previous

Last year their share of the Against that background, market rose from 10.78 per cent Renault of France has given a warning to the Belgian government that it will reduce its investment and operations in that country if imports of Japanese vehicles are left unchecked. Yesterday BL announced that it was closing checked. its plant at Senetfe with the loss of 2,500 jobs. But after the freeze on sales

Nissan towards the end of last year, Japanese car exports to the United Kingdom in the first 10 days of this month accounted for 15 per cent of

Lonrho bids for Fraser as chairman is dismissed

By Philip Robinson Financial Staff

Sir Hugh Fraser was dismissed as chairman of the House of Fraser yesterday during a board meeting at which Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, his new ally, launched a £158m takeover bid for Britain's largest stores group, whose properties include Harrods.

The bid has been rejected by the majority of House of Fraser directors. Professor Roland Smith, Sir Hugh's successor, appointed £50,000 a year non-executive deputy chairman last August, said: "It is far too chean." too cheap."

Sir Hugh's departure was announced by Professor Smith in a short statement after the meeting. Flanked by two lawvers, he said: "I have a very short and simple announcement to make. A meeting of the board of directors of the House of Fraser was held today. Professor Roland Smith was appointed chairman of the company in place of Sir Hugh Fraser. The voting was 12 in favour, two against, one abstention, and one absentee. Mr Peter Humphries has been appointed deputy

He thes pushed his way from the fifth floor press conference at Barkers in Kensington, London, refusing to answer further questions.

Details of the board meeting are confused, but it is under-stood that at the 10 am start, Mr Rowland said Lourbo, owners of 29.94 per cent of Fraser, would bid 150p a share on condition that Sir Hugh stayed as chairman.

stayed as chairman.

The directors asked for an adjournment which lasted an hour while they considered the bid. They contacted Cazenove their stockbrokers, asking for the shares to be suspended on the stock market bur were advised to wast until after the adjournment they never were suspended. S. G. Warburg, Fraser's merchant bank advisers said: "Reject all offers and do not move."



Sir Hugh Fraser (right) shakes hands with Mr Roland

"Tiny" Rowland after the meeting. On resumption of the meet- sor Smith last year, was

ing, the directors decided to go on with their vote on Sir Hugh. Mr Rowland informed them that despite this he intended to go ahead with the takeover

For almost 75 minutes the board debated who would replace Sir Hugh Mr Ernest Sharp, brought in with Profes-

apparently an alternative choice, but he declined to be considered.

It is understood that he is unhappy with the internal politics. Professor Smith was proposed, but even then 11 of the 15 directors voted against his becoming an executive

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South African election called 18 months early

From Nicholas Ashford Johannesburg, Jan 28

South Africa is to hold a general election among white voters on April 29, 18 months earlier than is necessary under the constitution.

Confirming persistent spe-culation that an early poll was planned, Mr Pieter Botha, the Prime Minister, speaking during the third day of the no confidence debate in the Cape Town Parliament this afternoon, said he placed himself and his government "in the hands of the country with

He aded: "I know that they, like us, want to maintain secu-rity and progress."

The present session of Parlia for March 23.

Mr Botha said his reason for calling an early election was because some 30 parliamentary

necessitated by the transfer of 12 MPs to the new multiracial President's Council, last August's Cabinet reshuffle and recently-completed round constituency delimitations.

many by-elections and then a general election later on, he

number of other factors have prompted the Prime Minister to go for an early poll. Principal among them is the strife within the ruling National Party between Ver-lramptes (conservatives) and Verligtes (reformists) over Mr Botha's plans for constitutional change and other cautiously reformist measures.

Commenting on the election announcement Mr Frederick van Zyl Slabbert, leader of the official Opposition Progressive

away from his party's internal difficulties. Mr Vause Raw leader of the middle-of-the-road

ment, which opened only last Friday; will be dissolved in June a month after approving a mini-budget which will see the country through until the post-election Parliament is installed. Nomination day has been fixed

and provincial by-elections were due in the near future. The by-elections have been

It would have been a waste of energy for the country and the political parties to hold so

Federal Party (PFP) said Mr Botha wanted to divert attention

New Republic Party (NRP), said the election was "phoney". There can be little doube that

Mr Botha was concerned that disgruntled right-wing nationalist Afrikaners might have used the space of by-elections to embarrass the government by voting for the extreme right-wing Herstigte Nasionale Party (HNP).

By holding a general election, on the other hand, Mr Botha

clearly hopes to sweep even the most disillusioned National Party supporters behind him as he rallies the country to stand up to the "total onslaught" being directed against it by the Soviet Union, black Africa and the United Nations.

Another reason is that he wants a clear mandate for his government's policies rather than continuing to rely on the mandate won by his predeces-sor, Mr John Vorster, in the 1977 general election. Having won the endorsement

of the electorate be will then be able to confront the powerful Verkrampte faction within his party, led by Dr Andries Treurnicht, Minister of State Administration and leader of the party in the Transvaal, which has been trying to block Mr Botha's proposed reforms. The most important of these

reforms takes effect next week when the new President's Council (comprising whites, Coloureds and Indians, but not Coloureds and increase, but and blacks) begins sitting to consider future constitutional developments in the country.

advisory powers it is the first time a multiracial institution of this kind has been estab-lished in South Africa. lished in South Africa.

Spy arrested: Security police have arrested a Soviet national on charges of spying in South Africa for the KGB, Mr Botha told Parliament in Cape Town today. The Prime Minister named the alleged spy as Major Alexei Mikhailovich Kczlov, a sepior officer in the KGB.

Mr Botha described the arrest as an event of "utmost

arrest as an event of "utmost importance for the national security".—AFP.

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Britain has lowest strike total since 1941 By Frances Williams

Economics Staff

Britain had fewer strikes last year than in any year since 1941. Only 1.262 strikes were recorded, less than half the average for the previous 10 years and well below the 2,080 strikes in 1979.

The number of working days

lost through stoppages was, however, boosted by the national steel strike early in 1980. This strike accounted for threequatters of the days lost. Department of Employment figures published yesterday also show that Britain's recent strike record belies the popular belief that it is exceptionally strike-

that it is exceptionally strike-prone, compared with other industrial countries. Canada, the United Stares and Australia experience more strikes than the United Kingdom. The 1,262 strikes arising from industrial disputes in 1980 is the lowest total for 39 years and compares with an average and compares with an average 2.598 for the preceding

About 11,910,000 working days were lost as a result, less than the average for the provious 10 years (12,870,000) and only 40 per cent of the 1979 total of 29,474,000.

Just six big strikes accounted for nearly 9.5 million working days lost in 1980. The 13-week national steel strike, from January 2 to April 2, accounted for 8.8 million days lost 74 per see 6 to the total lost -74 per cent of the total. But in the second half of 1980 the number of days lost was the lowest since 1966

There were fewer strikes in Il industries except agriculture. orestry and fishing than in the previous year, though five industries lost more working days: metal manufacture (as a result of the steel strike), agriculture, forestry and fishing, total mining, chemicals, and port and inland water transport.

International comparisons, sublished in the January issue of the Department of Employment Gazette, show that Cauada, he United States, Australia and Frain all lost more working fravs through strikes (per 1.000) mployees) than the United incdom in the five years 1975 on 1979. But among EEC countries of the countries of rics, only Italy and the Repubc of Ireland had a worse

Minister tries to allay Nationality Bill storm

Parliamentary Correspondent The Eritish Nationality Bill

oppose the Bill at all its stages. In the Opposition's view this was not a nationality bill but an immigration control bill. He suggested that 90 per cent of its proposals worked to the dis-advantage of the black com-

nunity. But, while Mr Hattersley was echoing the bitter criticism that has come from church leaders and ethnic minority groups, Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, gave a promise that where a case was made for changes to allay these fears, that would be considered by

the Government as the legislation progressed. The Bill, which creates three

a sensitive matter about which people felt strongly, claimed that many of the fears ex-pressed were wholly misplaced.

Clause one stated that a child born here would be a British citizen at birth only if one of his parents was a British citizen

dents and others who were Continued on page 2, col 4

reading.

Mr Roy Hattersley, Lahour's spokesman on home affairs, stood under "this nightmare denounced the Government's proposals for a new nationality law as tacist and discriminatory against women and pledged that the Opposition of the fears it would raise among the ethnic minorities, who would not know where they stood under "this nightmare of bireaucratic complication".

Mr Whitelaw, however, while law as tacist and discriminatory recognizing the proposition of the complete of citizenship, has been attacked because of the fears it would raise among the ethnic minorities, who would not know where they stood under "this nightmare denounced the Government's of bireaucratic complication".

He could not understand how clauses one and two could be described as racially discrimin-

or was settled here.

That provision took account of the increasing numbers of children born to visitors, stu-

H-block hunger strike threatened after republican prisoners go on rampage

From Craig Seton

A new hunger strike over the H-block in Northern Ireland's Maze prison was threatened yesterday after 96 republican prisoners smashed furniture and windows in clean cells they moved into only two weeks ago.

It was the most serious incident in the vnessy approach to an attempted settlement of the H-block issue since the S3-day hunger strike by seven republican prisoners republican prisoners ended in mid-December

Late on Tuesday night tables, chairs, bookcases, and other furniture were smashed and furniture were smashed and expectations of which had led to windows broken by the prison- the ending of the original hum-

ers who have been put back into unfurnished cells. There were allegations that some of them were assaulted The men were among those

who had given up smearing cell walls with excrement, although hey were still refusing prison issue clothing.
The H-block committee in Belfast said last night that the whole issue, which originally started over demands for political status, was "slipping back to square one".

The committee accused the Government of intransigence and inflexibility in implementing improvements in conditions.

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ger strike, and said that a new strike was possible.

Mr Joseph Austin, for Sinn Fein, also said last night: "The whole atmosphere is extremely dangerous. The men are talking about another hanger strike." Tension has been increasing

in the H-block since the week-end, when 20 of the men were refused permission to wear clothing brought to the prison Later last night the H-block

Later last night the H-block information centre in Belfast said it had heard that many of the 96 prisoners had been assaulted while being moved to other cells and that one prisoner had suffered what appeared to be a heart attack.

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Brussels orders inquiry into £990m BL aid

The government grant of £990m to British Leyland announced earlier this week is to be delayed for two months while the European Commission examines its compatability with the EEC's fair trade rules. Mr Wilfried Martens, the Belgian Prime Minister, has appealed to Mrs Thatcher to postpone BL's decision to close its Belgian assembly plant at Seneffe Page 19

Muslim states drop Afghan insurgents

Islamic Conference nations, meeting in Saudi Arabia, have asked the United Nations to appoint a special representative to mediate between Afghanistan and her neighbours. The initiative effectively means that the Muslim states have abandoned the Afghan insurgents who are fighting the Soviet occupation troops. No criticism was made of Russia

Mr Haig rules out

arms supply to Iran
Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of
State, ruled out any supply of arms to
Iran. Arms ordered before the seizure. of hostages would be sold elsewhere and the money returned to Iran. He refused to commit himself about a possible new American trade embargo remarking that there were additional American hostages in Iranian hands. But he expected Washington to fulfill its obligations to Iran in accordance with the law

Giscard world view

In a televised interview President Giscard d'Estaing said there was a shift in the positions of influence to the advantage of Russia. It would be wrong to call détente a fraud-the term to have in mind was "stabilization" of East West relations Page 6

Scotch to go up 30p

The retail price of Scotch whisky is likely to rise by 30p a bottle at the end of next month. The leading distilleries are raising prices because of increased costs as consumption falls at home and abroad Page 19

Swiss drugs company may be sued

Mr Stanley Adams, who was held in Switzerland on charges of industrial espionage after exposing malpractices at Hoffmann-La Roche, the drugs company, is boping to sue the Swiss government and the company Safety of drugs: Simplified drug test-ing before trials on humans is proposed

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By Paul Routledge Labour Editor The TUC is to overturn the protocol for proceedings at next week's meeting of the National Economic Development Council (NEDC) with a demand that unemployment should take pre-

cedence on the agenda.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the
Prime Minister, is to chair the tripartite discussions on Wednesday between the Government, employers and trade union leaders which were originally proposed as a general debate on the economic out-

But after the latest unemployment forms showed more than 2,400,000 registered jobless, Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, said yesterday: "I do not care what the subject is: Unemployment will be the main jests."

will be the main issue."

He was speaking after the
TUC General Council had expressed outrage at the record level of unemployment which

meant that one in 10 workers is without a job.

"Even these shocking figures fail to record the true level of unemployment by consistently unemployment by consistently ignoring those on short-time working, those who do not register and those working on special schemes". Mr Murray said. The TUC insists that the real level of unemoloyment is more than three million.

The general council expressed its deep dismay at the Government's "uncaring rejection of the now overpowering case for

strategy". Unemployment is now "in-

disputably the most vital problem facing the nation", the council said in a statement.

There is some common ground between the TUC and the CBI and that may disconcert ministers next Wednesday. At one of the regular dinners between union leaders and the employers' organization earlier this week joint anxiety was expressed over interest rates, the high value of sterling, the high cost of energy to industry and the emasculation of some of its

The TUC is to publish its annual economic review early next week, calling for 2 pro-gramme of industrial and social recovery. In the meantime, Mr Murray yesterday attacked the view of some ministers that the huge number of job-less could be regarded as a reservoir of workers available for the time when the economy

picks up.

"This is a callous, eighteenthcentury approach to human
problems and problems of
national concern", he said.

Whatever the outcome of
next week's NEDC meeting, the
TUC is going ahead with a campaign week from April 4 to 12,
during which public demonstrations will draw attention to
trade union alternatives to

trade union alternatives to the Government's economic

Shipowner is facing expulsion

British shipowners are plan-

Eritish shipowners are planning to take action against Canadian Pacific for reaching a pay agreement with the National Union of Seamen.

The General Council of British Shipping's general policy committee decided yesterday to call a general meeting on February 12 to consider a resolution to expel the company from the organization.

Mr Adrian Swire, the council's president, said: "There was a very strong feeling among the membership that the action taken by Canadian Pacific in

taken by Canadian Pacific in separately settling with the NUS meent that they could no longer be considered as reliable supporters of the organization."

supporters of the organization.

A joint NUS and company statement said on Monday that the agreement satisfied the principles of the NUS claim, which the union assesses as worth between 16 and 17 per

Threat to mine : Production at Westoe colliery, at South
Shields, Tyne and Wear, is
threatened with closure by the
seamen's dispute after barges
have been prevented from
dumping stone and shale out at

The was a resourting of the
offer already made, there was
no substantial increase."

Describing the offer as a
"marginal improvement.", Mr
Keenan praised the role of
Acas in bringing the parties

The crisis within the English faculty at Cambridge University

deepened yesterday as students passed a vote of no confidence in the faculty's board and demanded it should be suspended pending an independent

hundred students, a third of

By John Witherow

Dockers at Aberdeen end dispute

From Our Correspondent

Dockers in Aberdeen returned to normal working yesterday after a pay dispute lasting three and a half weeks that closed Britain's chief North Sea oilfield depot.

The swift end to the dispute

came after discussions between the men's union and employers on Tuesday under the mediation of the Arbitration, Conciliation and Advisory Service. A slightly improved offer recommended by both Mr Mel

Keenan, the union's docks officer, and the dockers' committee was accepted by the men at a mass meeting early yester-

day.

The dispute began when the employers offered a 13 to 14 per cent wage increase which the men said amounted to only 10! per cent on their basic pay. The employers, Aberdeen Stevedoring Company, said:
"It was a reshuffling of the offer already made, there was no substantial increase".

ism, should be given a full-time post. That was rejected

by the appointments committee.

The rejection has caused the bitterest dispute within the faculty since Dr F. R. Leavis took on Professor Sir Arthur

Dr MacCabe's supporters say

inquiry. Outiler-Couch and Dr E. M. V. A meeting of about three Tillyard in the 1930s.

the faculty, also called on the that the more conservative dons university a secretary-general are trying to bleck relatively to set up an inquiry into the failure of the department's and thus threatened academic

appointments committee to freedom. The so-called tradi-upgrade Dr Colin MacCabe, a tionalists, who include Profes-

radical lecturer who is at the centre of the dispute.

The faculty board, which has 20 elected members, three

has 20 elected members, three of them students, is responsible for drawing up regulations for the department, recommending new appointments, controlling the Tripos, and selecting texts.

The previous board twice recommended last year that Drimarcabe, an assistant lecturer in the faculty for five years

cism of his teaching abilities.

Some of the progressive dons were voted off key committees or resigned in protest, provoking yesterday's vote of no confidence in the board. The faculty is rife with rumours of libel writs being prepared and dons being dragged before venerable university courts for

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strike plan approved by delegates By Donald Macintyre

Delegates representing 107,000 members of the Society of Civil and Public Servants (SCPS) yesterday overwhelmingly yesterday overwhelmingly approved contingency plans for approved contingency plans for selective continuous strikes, coupled with wider "lightning," industrial action, in support of a claim for rises of 19 per cent.

The unions leaders won approval from 750 delegates for their plans for disruptive action aimed at causing serious damage to government opera-tions if ministers stand by their policy that Civil Service pay increases from April will be determined by the 6 per cent cash limit.

Meanwhile, in another critical sector of the public service, the water industry, rears of a confrontation remained when em-ployers gave no sign of improv-ing their 7.9 per cent offer, which was heavily rejected by the three unions representing

33,000 employees.
The National Water Council, whose negotiators met briefly last night, would say only that it could not make any decision known until after the three unions next meet on February

The Transport and General Workers' Union announced that members had rejected the offer by eleven to one and voted in favour of industrial action by a

favour of industrial action by a majority of nine to one.

The National Union of Public Employees said its members had endorsed rejection of the offer by a 90 per cent majority, and the largest of the three, the General and Municipal Workers Union, whose executive on Friday sanctioned industrial action is necessary and that there had if necessary, said that there had been heavy votes against the offer in all eleven regions.

offer in all eleven regions.

Despite the tough stance of the SCPS yesterday, a final decision on the Civil Service union's strategy will not be taken until a joint meeting of their leaders on February 26.

It will also depend in large part on the biggest Whitehall union, the Civil and Public Services Association, which is holding its own special conference in London today and is expected to hold branch meetings and

to hold branch meetings and secret ballots as part of its consultation process. The strategy envisaged by the SCPS, which hopes its own pro-

posal for 19 per cent increases will find favour with the other unions, is in two parts.
One part will be a series of limited and sudden national or local stoppages opening with a government wide one-day strike

early in March.

The other tactic will be continuous selective stoppages aimed at specific targets.

Debate on economy

The Government has agreed economy and unemployment next Thursday after repeated requests from Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition. Students turn on faculty board

" It has become a considerable

embarrassment to the university

and frankly it is time the

English faculty put its house in order", one university official

Whatever the reason for the

refusal to promote Dr MacCabe,

the dispute has divided dons

and students, as was shown at

yesterday's meeting when undergraduates were undecided

whether the split was damaging teaching within the faculty or encouraging open and healthy

The students' motions will be

put in the form of a resolution to a meeting of the Senate next Tuesday, chaired by Sir Peter Swinnerton-Dyer, the vice-

chancellor.
Senate meetings are normally

reserved for Masters of Arts, although undergraduates can attend. Sir Peter has agreed to make 300 seats available to

Irish taxes and

benefits raised

An early general election in the Irish Republic became slightly less likely yesterday with a Budget statement in the Dail that greatly increased taxation on petrol and consumer luxuries such as drink and tobacco but raised welfare benefits by a quarter

In his statment, Mr Gene

Fitzgerald, Minister of Fin-ance, announced a 15p a gallon

increase on petrol, bringing it to £1.80, 25p on a bottle of wine,

50p on champagne, 6p on a pint of beer, 10p on a packet of 20 cigarettes, and 12p on a glass of spirits.

welfare

and an exponent of structural-ism, should be given a full-meetings.







Mrs Shirley Williams and Mr Tom Bradley (top) arriving for the Labour Party executive's meeting yesterday. Above: Mr Michael Foot and Mr Wedgwood Benn.

Unions call summit meeting in attempt to heal Labour rifts

By Our Labour Editor

Leaders of all the unions affiliated to the Labour Party are being summoned to a "summit" meeting next month "summit" meeting next month in an attempt to heal deepening rifts within the movement. The invitation will go out from the Trade Unions for Labour Victory (TULV) organization, which has been split by political in-fighting that came into the open at the party's special conference at Wembley last weekend.

At stake is the continuing existence of the organization itself, the body set up by Labour-loyalist unions just before the 1979 election to generate funds and mobilize generate funds and mobilize

the trade union vote., About 10 union gathered yesterday in Congress House after the monthly TUC council meeting. They decided

Party the golden opportunity

to state that it was the chance "to do what so many of us

have dreamt for years".

The chance, he said in a tele-

vised party political broadcast,

was "to break the mould of a failed political system and to produce a realignment of the progressive and hopeful forces in Britain".

Mr Steel's interpretation of events came after a meeting of the Shadow Cabinet at which there was a brief inquest on the special party coinference.

that an effort must be made to get the Labour Party out of its worsening financial crisis.

The party has run up a deficit of £500,000, as disclosed in The Times on January 21, and it is becoming increasingly difficult to bridge the gap between affiliation income and operating

But the issue of financing Labour's deficit is bedevilled by continuing political arguments between the unions, which are divided in their backing for left-wing and moderate proposals for constitutional

There was an acrimonious inquest yesterday on the vote switched and tactical manoeuvres by some unions at the Wembley conference. That he said. That was the impetus resulted in the party being behind the decision to call a saddled with an electoral college to elect the Labour leader next month.

Mr Steel says alliance could win

ploited in his broadcast. The people of Britain, he said,

In a reference to the poten-tial break-away Council for

Social Democracy, headed by Labour moderates, Mr Steel said: "If the social democrats'

valuable experience of govern-

ment is added to our nation-wide community campaigning experience, I believe we could

prove an unstoppable combina-tion."

wanted things to change.

with 40 per cent of the votes going to the unions and the remainder divided equally between MPs and the constituency parties.

their discussions, but it seems clear that proposals to give the body a formal constitution will be shelved indefinitely.

that Labour-loyalists were depressed after their preferred formula for an electoral college giving MPs half the votes failed to win the expected majority support of unions last

ment to make.

He asked that all inquiries be addressed to Sir Denis Hamilton, chairman and editor inchief of Times Newspapers Holdings Limited.

Sir Denis said that he would be writing to Mr Price today explaining that Mr Biffen had intended to tell the Commons during Tuesday's debate that he Leading figures in TULV last night declined to comment on

One union leader confessed

Nobody wanted TULV to collapse; they wanted to keep it going "whatever happens", he said. That was the impetus

record of division and decline ". He added: "But growing

support on the ground is even

more important than the big.

names at the top."
The Liberal leader described

the special party conference as a turning point in British poli-tics which was not just bad for

the Labour Party but bad for

Britain. Viewers would be familiar

with countries where ultimate power had passed from a freely

He said that the board was Political Reporter Labour's agonizing over its future last night gave Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal Party the golden are several Labour MPs and that he to be a reversal of the leader-understood their anguish, stated annual conference in October. That will mean a further nine ance to make a great new political allignments and the several Labour MPs and that he to be a reversal of the leader-understood their anguish, stated that the country "desperately means a further nine and the several Labour MPs and that he to be a reversal of the leader-understood their anguish, stated annual conference in October. That will mean a further nine and the country and the several Labour MPs and that he to be a reversal of the leader-understood their anguish, stated annual conference in October.

Mr Murdoch has offered

me the possibility of a chal-lenging and worthwhile task which I will tackle with enthuber them and I am considering siasm if it falls to me." this."

supplements sought doch that all the principles to which guarantees had be given regarding the two makes papers applied "in equipmeasure" to the the supplements. Time had not be the supplements.

Assurances on 'Times

Education Correspondent

'Mr Rupert Murdoch is to be invited to appear before the Commons Select Committee on Education, Science and the Arts

to give further assurances on his plans for the three supple-ments of *The Times*.

All parliamentary select com-

mittees have the power to ask for any "persons, papers and records" that they wish, subject to only a few limitations. If Mr Murdoch declines the committee's invitation, he

could be summoned to appear; non-compliance with a summons.

would constitute a contempt of

Mr Christopher Price, chairman of the education select committee, said yesterday that because of the concern that the guarantees given by Mr Murdoch to the Secretary of

State for Trade in respect of The Times and The Sunday

Times do not appear to be ex-tended to the supplements, the

committee has decided to ask

Mr Murdoch to give us assur-ances on this issue".

The committee hoped that Mr Murdoch would come be-

fore it within the next fort-night, Mr Price said.

In the debate on Times News-papers in the House of Com-mons on Tuesday, Mr John Biffen, Secretary of State for Trade, announced that he had

decided to consent to the sale

of The Times and The Sunday.
Times to Mr Murdoch, without
refence to the Monopolies Com-

mission, subject to certain conditions on the editorial indepen-dence and integrity of those

dence and integrity of those two papers. No mention was made of the three supplements. Mr Murdoch left last night for a week's visit to Australia. Although he had received no formal invitation by then, he had been informed of the com-

mittee's intention to issue such an invitation, but had no com-ment to make.

Parliament.

out, however.

Sir Denis explained that leading the could not include reference to the supplement in his main statement as the Fair Trading Act, 1973, while aid down the conditions for the country of t out, however.

referral of newspaper merge to the commission applied or to newspapers and not periodicals as the three weel supplements were deemed be. However, he and the thr

editors of the supplements he received "totally satisfactor promises from Mr Murdoch both the editorial independen and integrity of the supp ments and his commitment of the supplements and his supplements and his supplements have been supplementable to the supplementa their financial prosperity as development.
He said that Mr Murdoch intending to increase the nul ber of supplements certain to four, and possibly to six

Sir Denis said that he hope his letter to Mr Price would settle the matter, and that is Murdoch would not now required to appear before the committee.
Decision questioned.

spokesman for trade, last nie questioned the government decision not to refer the new to the Monopolies Commission He wrote to Mr Biffen aski him to make available as so as possible the figures and t working papers Considerable concern exist over the basis on which is Biffen satisfied himself that 7

Sunday Times was " not ecor: role as a going concern and 500 a separate newspaper". Misgivings voiced: The Tin. will become a "coarser" par under the ownership of ! Murdoch, Dr Conor Crui O'Brien, editor-in-chief of T Observer forecast yesterd (the Press Association report But the paper would star-But the paper would stay the upper reaches of the mi ket and would probably more successful commercial he said in an LBC radio into

Reuters chief to move

Mr Gerald Long, managing director of Reuters Ltd, said yesterday that he would retire from the news agency to become managing director of Times Newspapers Limited (TNL) if Mr Rupert Murdoch succeeded in buying the group. Mr Long said to a message

to all Reuter staff that he had informed the board of Reuters that he might ask to be relessed in the immediate future if Mr Murdoch secured acceptable conditions for the ownership of The Times and The Sunday Times.

ware of his wish to retire from Reuters on reaching the age of

" Whatever I do now, Reute

will have been the main intere of my working life, and not ing can be closer to me that the continued wellbeing of the company. I must therefore be satisfied, and I am satisfied satisfied, and i am satisfied that my leaving would not damage the company."

Mr. Dugal Nisbet-Smith managing director of TNL, say in a statement: "I have alread indicated that in the event of the statement is the statement."

Mr Murdoch's bid for Time Newspapers being successful, would wish to resign as mana-ing director. I have, of cours discussed this matter with th Thomson Organisation with have asked me to remain with

Esther Rantzen fined £15

Esther Rantzen, the television personality, was fined £15 at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court, London, yesterday, for causing an obstruction by stop-ping people in the street and

Harrington, the magistrate, the up to 40 people gathers around Miss Rantzen and he film crew to watch the tes

was being considered, said si was worried about the impl

asking them to taste bat stew and fried bat.

Miss Rantzen, who was get-

power had passed from a freely elected parliament to the "central committee of the party".

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ting opinions on the recipes for her That's Life show, was convicted after a 22-minute film of her arrest was shown in

London.

After the bearing MiRantzen, who said an appe

Though there was no collective. Mr Steel, who said it was view in the sense of a Shadow well known that he had been Cabinet policy commitment, it having private discussions with Nationality Bill defended Weather forecast and recordings

months of internal dispute, a economy work and turn our party division that Mr Steel ex-

here only temporarily. A per-son's racial origin was not relevant, Mr Whitelaw said. Clause two stated that a child born outside the United King-dom would be a British citi-zen if at the time of birth his father or mother was a British citizen by virtue of birth in the United Kingdom.

mit citizenship overseas in the sarily. Same way as citizens by birth.

Although there was room for the Bill would not adversely argument about the principle, affect the position under the Mr Whitelaw could not see how that proposal could be des-cribed as racially discrimina-On the criticism that the Bill

discriminated against women, the Home Secretary said that the suggestion could not seriously be made.

It could not be said, as Mr. Hattersley had argued, that a provision which treated husbands and wives alike was discriminatory against women.

Mr. Whitelaw gave an assur-

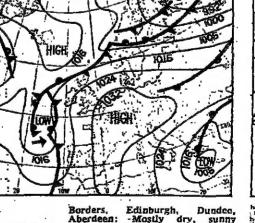
ance that there was no provision ance that there was no provision in the Bill that deprived people living in this country of any of their civil rights. Although some of the fears expressed were understandable, there were no real grounds for them. He appealed to everyone expressions the fears of the procession of t

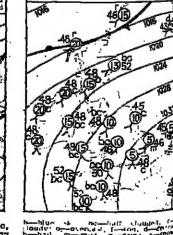
pressing those fears, and to the church leaders, to consider, again what he had said. He was the United Kingdom. most concerned to remove the basis for the misunderstandings whereby citizens by naturaliza- and was anxious that people tion or registration could trans- should not be alarmed unnecesshould not be alarmed unneces-

immigration law of anyone who

immigration law of anyone who was lawfully settled in the United Kingdom.

But none of this had much effect on Mr Hattersley. Labour, he said wanted one main class of British citizen which should embrace everyone born or adopted in the United Kingdom, everyone born or adopted overseas whose parents were United Kingdom citizens. were United Kingdom citizens, and wives and husbands of British citizens.





Isle of Man. SW Scotland, Glasgow, N Ireland: Rather cloudy, some brilliant intervals, perhaps a few outbreaks of light rain: wind SW, moderate to fresh, locally strong; max temp 8° to 10°C (46° to 50°F). Strait of Dover, English Char nel (E); wind, S, moderate; sea, slight. Yesterday

London. Temp: maximum 6 at to 6 pm. 9°C (43°F); minimum 6 pm to 6 am, 7°C (45°F) illumidity. 6 pm. S8 per cem Rain. Z4hr to 6 pm, trace. Sur 24hr to 6 pm, nil. Bar, mean se level, 6 pm, 1.039.2 millibar falling. falling. 1.000 millibars = 29.53in.

Test case on part-time woman workers' pay being heard in EEC court Home Secretary, is seen as a test case on part-time woman workers pay. It is being sup-

An Advocate General in the EEC court in Luxembourg yesterday advised the European judges to rule against a British woman part-time workers who is claiming the same hourly rate of pay that a full-timer gets.

Mr Advocate General Warner's opinion, given yester-day to the European Court of Justice, might influence the judges to rule against Mrs Jeanette Jenkins, a machinist with Kingsgate (Clothing Productions) Ltd. The case, which is being equal pay or the Equal Pay brought by Mr Anthony Lester Directive. Mrs Jenkins said it QC, former political adviser to did.

ported by the Equal Oppor-tunities Commission who have found that the British equal pay Act cannot be used to challenge the pay differentials for part-time employees who are mainly time employees who are mainly The case was referred to Luxembourg by the Employ-ment Appeal Tribunal which wanted to know whether the pay differential broke Article 119 of the Treaty of Rome on

justify this difference on objecsex discrimination.

sex discrimination.

To that extent the treaty had a direct effect on member states of the EEC. Kingsgate argued that it paid part-timers less per hour to discourage the full-time workers from moving to part-time work and to make most use of machinery.

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Reflas (15.75) less per hour to discourage the full-time workers from moving to part-time work and to make most use of machinery.

Warner said yesterday that neither the treaty nor the directive required that part-time workers should be paid the same as full-timers. But he added that where there was a difference in pay, the Treaty of Rome required employers to tive grounds unconnected with

Today 1.44 sm 11.45 am New moon: February 4. Lighting up: 5.15 pm to 7.12 am. High water: London Bridge, 7.44 am. 5.7m; 8.20 pm, 5.8m. Avonmouth, 12.22 am, 9.8m; 12.46 pm, 9.7m. Dover, 5.02 am, 5.5m; 5.46 pm, 5.1m. Hull, 12.27 pm, 5.7m. Liverpool, 5.15 am, 7.2m; 5.37 pm, 7.1m. 7.1m. 1 ft=0.3048m. 1m=3.2808 ft.

Pressure will remain high over Europe; frontal trough will approach N areas. Porecast for 6 am to midnight: London, SE, central S, E, cen-tral N England, East Anglia, Midlands: Mostly cloudy, some

drizzle early, mist or fog patches slowly thinning; wind S to SW, but also brighter drier periods; light; max temp 8° or 9°C (46° to 48°F).

Channel Islands, SW, NW, NE England, Wales, Lake District, stight.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; d, drizzle ; C. F. Nico 5 10 Nico 5 Ni

Central Bighlands, Morav Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Argyll, Orkney, Shetland: Mostly cloudy, outbreaks of rain or drizzle; wind SW, fresh or strong, locally gale, moderating later; max temp 8° or 9°C (46° to 48°F).

or 9°C (46° to 48°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and saturday: England and Wales will be mostly dry with overnight mist and fog patches slow to clear; Scotland and N Ireland will become changeable with rain at times but also brighter drier periods; it will remain generally mild.

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Russian armour entering Kabul.

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Will Russian tanks roar across nuclear war. the plains of Germany?

Will crises erupt somewhere so remote we all have to scour maps to find out where it is?

Will one of our NATO allies call for moral support on its borders?

Will we be asked to join an international peace-keeping force to separate the sides in a civil war?

Frankly, your guess is as good as ours.

The world is so unstable it could go critical at any time without so much as a warning light.

This is why we have made the Army much more mobile.

And why we always try to recruit the type of young man who can add calmness and good humour to a tense situation.

Nowweneed another 900 young Officers whom these men will follow, if necessary, to the ends of the earth.

A job with no guarantee of success.

You may well argue that your joining the Army would not have saved one life in Afghanistan.

We would go further, it might not save anyone's life, including your own. On the other hand, it might.

It might, if enough like-minded men join with you, help to prevent a

And it might, just might, hold the world together long enough for the powers of freedom and sweet reasonableness to prevail.

Some hopes?

Perhaps. But the alternative is no hope at all.

Hoping for the best, preparing for the worst.

Your part in this will be to prepare for a war everyone prays will never happen.

Depending on the job you choose, you will rehearse battle tactics in Germany.

Confront heat in Cyprus, Belize or Hong Kong.

And heat of a different sort in Northern Ireland.

You will practise, repair, train and try to forge links with your men that will withstand fire.

Occasionally, you may be asked to clamber into a VC10 on the way to, well, somewhere like monitoring a cease-fire in Rhodesia.

But more often, the worst enemy your men will face will be boredom, when it will take all your skills as a teacher and manager to motivate them.

Then it will be difficult to remember that you are still protecting your country and all you love most.

An easy question to dodge.

The question is, are you prepared to take the job on for three years or longer?

No one will accuse you if you don't.

Women won't send you white feathers and children won't ask what you did in the war.

All we ask is that every young man at least takes the question seriously and answers it to the satisfaction of his own conscience.

This way we are bound to get our 900 new Officers.

If you are undecided but want to take the matter a stage further without committing yourself in any way, write to Major John Floyd, Army Officer Entry, Department A10, Lansdowne House, Berkeley Square, London W1X6AA.

Tell him your date of birth, your educational qualifications and why you want to join us.

He will send you booklets to give you a far larger picture of the life and, if you like, put you in touch with people who can tell you more about the career.



Mr Whitelaw considers Drug safety streamlining system of remands in custody

Home Affairs Correspondent Mr William Whitelaw, Home Secretary, is thinking of streamlining the system under which people remanded in custody by magistrates have to be produced in court once

every eight days. Soundings about a possible change are expected to be taken of interested organiza-As an emergency measure during the prison offi-cers' dispute. Parliament waived the requirement for personal appearance in court by the accused during his period on remand in custody.

Last night the National Asso-ciation of Probation Officers said they would be very con-cerned if Mr Whitelaw were to introduce such a measure per-manently. They strongly strongly opposed it being introduced temporarily during the dispute, fearing it would remove a safeguard against abuse and in-

More than 40,000 people were remanded in custody by magistrates' courts in 1979. A survey has been made of 56 magistrates' courts during the officers' action to see the effect of the measure, which was introduced in section 2 of the Imprisonment (Temporary Pro-

visions) Act, 1980. Lord Belstead, Under Secretary of State at the Home Office told the House of Lords on Tuesday night that it was clearly right that the effect of the ordinary law should be restored when practicable. "Raying said that, I think that we should all acknowledge that section 2 has worked with fairness and without trouble." He acknowledged that miscivings had been expressed, but added: "If in its practical application section 2 has had iffects which have worked to the disadvantage of defendants I must say that they have not become evident to the Home

The Home Office said last night that prisoners remanded in custody were in normal circumstances produced on weekly remand. Once they had had their committal proceedings, they were remanded to appear before the Crown Court at a

given date. Section 2 was introduced because prison officers in dispute over the meal break pay issue were refusing to admit prisoners from magistrates' courts Numbers in police cells

were increasing as a result.

The appearance of a prisoner on remand every eight days is widely acknowledged to be expensive

Mr Geoffrey Norman, secre-tary of the Magistrates Asso-ciation, said last night that if magistrates could remand for more than eight days in appro-priate cases, it would be wel-comed provided there were appropriate safeguards. It

time and reduce security risks. Mr Richard DuCann, QC. chairman of the Bar, thought that, with proper safeguards, some form of streamlining the present procedure would be "a perfectly tolerable step to take" perhaps by putting a new limit to the period a per-son could be held in custody on remand before it was neces-

sarv to produce them in court Prison officers at Strange-wavs prison, Manchester, have decided to resume industrial action. They have decided to reduce the population there to what the jail should officially hold. The prison is 270 inmates above the official capacity. Officers at 12 prisons are now engaged in action.

Concorde expected to be in service for 35 years

Peclinology Editor
British Airways is likely to continue operating the Concorde airliner for a further 30 years if the rate of use remains at about the present level; a Commons committee was told yesterday. That would mean that the sircraft had a total operating life of 35 years, an exceptionally high figure.

The Commons Industry and Trade Committee was given those figures by Captain Brian Walpole, flight manager (technical), Concords, at British Air-

By comparison with the airline's other long-range aircraft, Concorde use is low, ranging overall operating deficit of from 1,595 to 2,393 hours for about £6m on the airline's Con1980-81 (depending on whether cords operations. Next year and the entire fleet or just the in the following years the foreoperating sircraft are counted); and from 1.032 to 2.063 hours Pritish Airways expects to to Washington giving a predic-spend between £65m and £75m ted net annual operating profit year on its Concorde fleet of about £2m.

over the next five years : £75.2m during the present financial year, £68.3m in 1982-83 and £75.1m in 1984-85. The largest single item is fuel, which accounts for 35 per cent of the total, rising to 37 per cent in 1984-85.

Stephen British Airways director of economic development, told the committee that, in this financial year, the London-New York service was expected to make a profit of about £4m. Against that, losses on the Washington route were estimated at £2m and on the now-withdrawn Bahrain-Singapore service, £8m.

This year should show an cast was for a continuing profit of about f4m on the New York route and a deficit of about £2m

testing may be simplified

Proposals to simplify safety testing of drugs before limited trials can begin in humans have been drawn up by the Com-mittee on Safety of Medicines. Complaints have been made that British tests are too stringent and that drug com-panies have transferred their investment from Britain

Under the proposals, which are being circulated by the Department of Health, animal toxicity tests must still be carried out, but animal tests to. show that drugs do not cause birth defects or affect fertility will not be needed before early, very limited, clinical trials can

Instead the proposals will allow trials normally involving not more than 30 patients for up to ten days before such tests are completed, on condition that women of child-bearing age are excluded.

The animal tests on fertility and birth defects may be run in parallel, and more information, will be required as the clinical trials increase in scale. A new test to ensure that the drug does not cause bacterial mutations, which may indicate a cancer risk, is also to be re-quired before any clinical trials

panies the chance to find out earlier if a new compound is

worth pursuing.
At present they complain that requirements can mean a drug goes through extensive and expensive animal testing to prove its long-term safety before it can be used in short-term trials in humans

The committee on Safety of medicines emphasized yesterday the new requirements would not mean any increased risk to patients.

A covering letter says min-isters accept that drug com-panies are making more clinical trials overseas and that re-search and development of drugs in the United Kingdom have probably suffered.

Poultry industry to be given subsidy of £2m By Our Agriculture

The Government is to pay subsidies worth up to £2m to poultry slaughterhouses in the next three months. The payments were announced yester-day by Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, who had been insisting for months that he would not make the he would not make them. ing of poultry industry leaders that aid would be paid at a rate of half the cost of "eligible ex-

His announcement came after protests from the poultry industry that the cost of safety inspections in slaughterhouses abroad was being met by other

eventually.

having their commercial banking business

Every bank can throw light on your

overseas business.

Scheme to reduce rates for ordinary shopkeepers to preserve character of the community

Soho sex establishments proliferate despite promises

A new sex shop will open soon in Brewer Street, Scho, on soon in Brewer Street, Soin, on the spot where until last week the House of Hamburger dis-pensed the oak-smoked kippers that made it one of the best-loved delicatesens in Loudon's porn" village.
It will become the 164th

"sexploitation" establishment in an area of less than one square mile and will hammer another nail into the theory that the local authorities responsible for Soho are taking a strong line on curtailing the proliferation of pornography. In response to clean-up promises made in the Conserva-tive draft manifesto for the Greater London Council elections in May, the preservationist Soho Society claims that 100 of the cinemas and sex shops do not have planning permis-

sion to operate as they do.

Mr Leslie Hardcastle, the society's chairman, said yester-day: "Existing controls just do not work and will not work. We are not Mary Whitehouses and we have tried to be tolerant. But it is the sexploiters who have been intolerant. The time has come for a radical new approach.

In two moves announced resterday the Soho Society will ncourage ordinary shopowners to demand a rates reduction, and press for legislation to force sex establishments to register with a new government body which would control the

way they operate.

Mrs Lois Peltz, an indepen dent councillor who represents Sobo on Westminster City Coun-cil, said: "We want the kind cil, said: "We want the kind of controlling agency, like the Gaming Board which regulates casinos, to be established to watch over the sex shops and cinemas, not only in Soho, but



Mrs Lois Peltz, a Westminster councillor, outside one of Soho's 164 sex establishments. throughout the country. In the present state our laws are in-

adequate to protect us. Current arrangements are ludicrous, and so are the fines when anyone is convicted of breaking the An important cause of the

present difficulties is the con-fusion of authorities. The plan-ning authority is Westminster, which also has powers to licence sauna and massage par-lours, but entertainment licences are the responsibility of the GLC. The enforcement of

the obscenity laws is the job of the Metropolitan Police, and drink licences are a matter for

Moreover, the GLC's powers to control so-called entertainment do not apply to establishments masquerading as private clubs, which have scope for all sorts of abuses.

The police find it difficult to

trace the owners of establish-mems breaking the law and when they do often the owner-ship has changed hands. As the law stands a restaur-

ant can be prevented from be-coming a fish and chip shop, but not a sex shop. A private member's Bill, introduced by Mr Timothy

Sainsbury, Conservative MP for Hove, aimed at outlawing in-decent displays from shop win-dows and newsagents' counters, has its second reading tomorrow.
Mr. Sainsbury said: "There

may be efforts to attach legislation on cinemas to my Bill in on ordina committee, but we have to wair and see. I think the Soho munity".

Society has a real problem as so far as registering cinema is concerned there seems to be scope for legislation. It is centered the scope for legislation. scope for registration. It is central trainity something worth examining. Sex shops may be more difficult to cover. You do no want Boots to have a special icence because they self cortraceptives."

The Home Office confin that no legislation is planne for the kind of control proposed by the Soho Society. The report of the Williams commi-tee on obscenity, published 1 months ago, remains under con-

sideration. Three years ago Mr Bernar Brook-Partridge, now chairms of the GLC, declared war o the illegal pornography me chants. Yesterday he said "The Soho Society is right; that the law has been total inadequate and impossible implement. But yet anothe quango is not going to produce the answer.

"The Soho Society is taking a sledgettammer to crack a nr. A simpler way to deal with th problem, which would als require legislation, would be t make private cinema chil licensing law as the publicinemas are."

Soho now has only 2,900 res dents compared with 6,000 2: years ago. Greedy landlord forcing up the rents in ords to push out the multitue shopkeepers and craftsme have helped cause the exodu Mr Hardcastle said: "W

want to pur pressure on Wes minster City Council to revers the trend by reducing the rate. on ordinary shopkeepers or els

New guidelines for releasing patients

By Lucy Hodges The report of the inquiry set

up in the wake of the case of Ronald Sailes, who murdered a girl after his release from Broadmoor, says that arrangements for granting patients leave from special hospitals could be improved. It contains guidelines that are

being sent to all the special hospitals, Mr Patrick Jeukin, Secretary of State for Social Services, told the House of Commons, His department pub-lished the report yesterday. The guidelines, which the

report says should be reviewed after they have been in effect for some time, recommend that any medical officer considering sending 'a patient on leave should take account of the views of other professional people. The special hospitals are told

that it is essential to record the basic details of decisions taken about a patient. Agencies outside the hospital should be consulted about a patient's leave and all disciplines within the hospital should be consulted on where the patient is

The police should be told whenever patients who were at one time restricted or who were detained after a conviction for serious sexual or violent offences are sent on leave. Those concerned with the patient's care after he leaves the hospital should also be involved in discussions and special hospitals should devote more attention to preparing patient's to leave

It is believed that not all the guideline procedures were followed in the Sailes case and there has been some criticism of the fact that other professional people were not consulted.

One of the main changes introduced by the guidelines is the police notification pro-cedure. Until now the police have been told only when a restricted patient was given leave in their area.

Review of Leave Arrangements for Special Hospital Patients (DHSS Leaflets. PO Box 21, Staumore, Middlesex, RA7 1AY; £1).

Divorce cost 'nearly £1,000m'

By a Staff Reporter

Between one in three and one in four marriages were heading for divorce at a cost to the taxpayer approaching £1,000m a year. Dr Jack Dominian, director of the marriage research centre at Central Middlesex Hospital, said yesterday.

The number of divorces had

The number of divorces had risen from 5,000 to 10,000 a year fifty years ago to 140,000 a year, and Britain had one of the highest divorce rates in Europe. highest divorce rates in Europe. He estimated that the cost of marital breakdown, leaving aside legal costs, was approaching £1,000m, made up of supplementary benefit payments to one-parent families, the costs of children in care, absenteeism from work during marital breakdown, the cost of treating attempted suicides and doctors' prescriptions for stress and observed.

prescriptions for stress and physical symptoms. Speaking on the publication of a booklet on marriage, Dr Dominian said that women's rising expectations in part accounted for the increase, but men too were expecting a higher degree of fulfilment He called for wider education in schools, not simply sexual education, about marriage and the differences be-tween men and women's feel-

There was a relationship be-tween the rise of women's emancipation movements and divorce, he said, and seven out of 10 petitions were brought by Between 70 per cent and 80

per cent and 80 per cent and 80 per cent of divorced people remarried, he said.

Marriage—making or breaking, Family Doctor Publications (BMA House, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9JP; 55p including postage).

Threats and big rate rises linked By Christopher Warman

Local Government Correspondent

Threats of new penalties against local authorities by the Government for overspending made big rate increases more likely. Mr Jack Smart, chair-man of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, said Speaking at a seminar of

London authorities, he com-plained that Mr Michael Heseltine. Secretary of State for the Environment, kept changing the targets for local government spending, and had now asked councils to cut their spending by 5.6 per cent in 1981-82 compared with 1978-79.

Mr Heseltine has already confronted hard-pressed autho-rities with not one target but a selection from which they can pick and choose. This is un-just, unwise, and counter-productive."

Mr Smart added: "There must be many moderate, responsible authorities who today will be deciding to put money on one side as a hedge against any penalties Mr Heseltine might suddenly decide to impose. Thus every new threat Mr Heseltine makes, every new uncertainty he creates, adds to the prospect of big rate in-

Mr Heseltine was determined to divide authorities into good and bad in a way that undermined the spirit of cooperation

that had existed between local and central government, Mr Richard Brew, deputy leader of the Greater London Council, which proposes a 17.6 per cent rate increase, said that although the GLC was making cuts, they would not reach one of the Government's targets. The GLC would only be able to reduce spending by some 2 per cent next year compared with the present year, and not the 3.1 per cent proposed by the

The GLC's proposed 17.6 per cent increase might go as high as 40 per cent when it reaches the boroughs, as a result of changes in government grant distribution.

Law on religion for schools to stay

Education Correspondent

The Government has no intention of repealing the law requiring schools to hold daily religious assemblies and to provide religious instruction for all pupils, although many schools are in breach of the law. That was made clear by Mr Carlisle, Secretary of for Education and Mark State Science, when he appeared hefore the Commons Select Com-

law was dead.

being carried out, but the Gov-

plea rejected

He dismissed a submission by Associated Newspapers that Mr Dennis Orme, the leader of the sect in the United Kingdom was not entitled to sue as he was not referred to in the allegedly libellous article published in the Daily Mail in May, 1978, which accused the sect of

Grined them as sinister.

Giving a reserved judgment on the defence submission, Mr
Justice Comyn said the article was reasonably capable of being understood as referring to Mr Orme. The jury would have to decide whether, in fact, the article pointed to him.

"If the allegations are true

"If the allegations are true, there should be no place for this so called church in this country," the judge added.

Over the past year the D partment of Education an Science had received only to complaints about breaches the law on religious education and a further five about rel

gious assemblies, be said. A

tion would be included in th

Government's paper on the framework for the curriculus

in schools, which was due to b

Mr Carlisle agreed that the

was a severe shortage of qual-fied teachers of religion

education.
The department was en

published shortly.

had been referred to the loca authorities concerned; he ha heard no more, so he presume they had been all settled satis factorily.

Reference to religious educa-

mittee on Education Science yesterday. Mr Christopher Price, chairman of the committee, asked Mr Carlisle if he intended to

change the law on religious education given that everyone agreed that the letter of the Mr Carlisle accepted that the relevant words of the Educa-tion Act, 1944 were not always

couraging reacher-training insti tutions to increase the number of places for students specializ-ing in religious education Reregions education courses in religious education was 20 pt cent higher than last year. ernment was not redratting that Act, if that was what Mr Price

Moonies case

The libel action involving the Unification Church (the Moonies), entered its second stage yesterday when Mr Justice Comyn in the High Court re-jected a defence submission that the trial should end.

brainwashing converts and des-cribed them as sinister.

M26 users to get extra exit slip roads

Exit slip roads at a cost c about £1m are to be provide to the A225 from the M2 near Sevenoaks, Kent. Th comes after plaints that some drivers face an 18-mile journey before the next intersection near God

Mr Kenneth Clarke, Parli-mentary Secretary for Tranport, said in a written Conmons reply yesterday that ditailed proposals for east-facin-slip roads at Offord Roa-would be announced soon. After a public inquiry it widecided that the cost of con-

nexions between the M26 which was opened last November, and the A21 at the Sevenoaks intelled change could not be justified that the Sevenoaks intelled that the Mr Clarke said yesterday this having considered traffic will differ the last country. the needs of the local community and industry and the edition involved he had colling the cluded that the provision of the proposed slip roads offered it best solution.

Stirling Moss is fined for £110 damage to car

Stirling Moss, the former racing driver, was fined £200 at Old Street Magistrates' Court, London, yesterday after admitting causing £110 of criminal damage to the car of another motorist near his home in Shepherd Street, Mayfair, last October.

Mr. Fenney Bresley for Mr.

Mr Fenton Bresler, for Mr Moss, said: "This is a matter which you can say is typical of the wear and tear of driving parking in central London ".

The prosecution said that at 11.55 pm on October 9, Mr Moss was driving his Honda van towards his home in Shepherd

Street, a narrow cul-de-sac. Ar the same time Mr John Kitson, of Redhill, Surrey, was trying to reverse his Allegro car out of Shepherd Street.

Mr Kitson asked Mr Moss to back up and ler him out, but Mr Moss replied that if he could not get his car through the space then he should not be driving.

Mr Moss, accompanied by his

Mr Moss, accompanied by his wife, parked his van and they started walking along Shepherd Street. When Mr Kitson slowly drove after them Mr Moss scraped some keys along the side of Mr Kitson's car, causing the damage.

Ancient power of binding over to be examined

The Law Commission is examine the ancient power magistrates to bind people over to keep the peace to sea whether it is still needed.

Binding over was introduced in 1361 but has recently company.

By Our Legal Correspondent

under criticism,

It has, for instance, bee known for an accused to be acquitted, but one of the winnesses to be bound over erethough he had done nothing that could form a crimin that could form a crimin charge. The Law Commission anxious to receive information anxious to receive information about the operation of the ancient power in practice.

Exhibition centre proposed for Hyde Park site

By John Young Planning Reporter

Proposals for an exhibition centre and new offices on the site of the former St George's Hospital at Hyde Park Corner, London, have been submitted to Westminster City Council by the Grosvenor Estate.

The plans allow for the re-tention of the principal build-ing which was designed by William Wilkins, the architect of the National Gallery. But it would be restored to its original design by removing the top storey and replacing the mutila-

ted upper windows. When renovated, the building would be reopened as an exhi-

scheme was contingent upon support and permission being granted for department. new offices on land at present occupied by a complex of other buildings which previously formed part of the hospital. The site occupies nearly two

acres and, in the words of the estate, is of national and even international importance. At present the freehold, with the exception of one small plot, is owned by the Department of Health and Social Security, but the estate has a preemptive right to reacquire fust less than half the land

Mr Stanley Coggan, surveyor

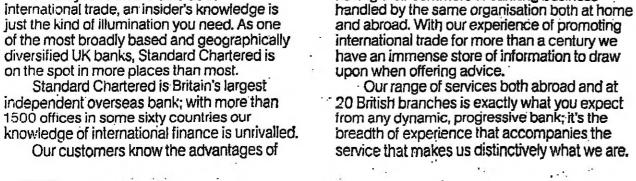
bition centre. But estate offi- to the estate, said yesterday vertical in emphasis and prese cials made it clear that the that the plans had the complete scheme was contingent upon The entire complex is listed

The entire complex is listed Grade 2, but most of the smaller buildings are of no great merit, and consent for their demolition is not thought likely to present any great difficulties. The design of the new offices, which would rise above the Wilkins building and would "frame" it when viewed from Piccadilly and Hyde Park, is likely to be of more public concern.

Scheme was about £40m. It am when a greement was the Government to cord the nearth of the groups of the proposed tenant of the exhibition centre was the Local The proposed tenant of the exhibition centre was the Local The proposed tenant of the exhibition centre was the Local The proposed tenant of the exhibition centre was the Local The proposed tenant of the exhibition centre was the Local The proposed tenant of the exhibition centre was the Local The proposed tenant of the exhibition centre was the Local The proposed tenant of the exhibition centre was the Local The proposed tenant of the control of the local The proposed tenant of the local The lo

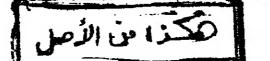
It was claimed yesterday that new building would be dark and necessive in colour, a broken and romant.
silhouette to the observer.
The estimated cost of the scheme was about £40m.

organization formed to coordnate industrial development, programmes by local authorities and development corporations



When you're on the outside in





told vesterday.

pear substantial costs.

by the legal process of dis-

By David Nicholson-Lord

Action to protect rare birds

of prey from bair laced with strychnine and other lethal pesticides is vital as the poison-ing season begins on farms and

game reserves, the Royal Society for the Protection of

Birds said yesterday.

An editorial in the society's

magazine, Birds, due to be published at the end of next month, says the death rates from illegal poisoning is alarming and strongly criticized the Government's failure to include

any of the society's proposals

Man who exposed malpractices by drug company plans to sue Swiss Government and EEC

Contraction (

Mr Stanley Adams, who exposed malpractices at Hoffmandrugs company, has come to the line of the La Roche, the multinational and the company.

.Mr Adams, aged 53, a Mal-tese citizen, faced imprisonment, an £8,000 fine and a fiveyear ban from Switzerland for his disclosures. He said yesterday in London that he hoped to remain in Britain.

The socialist group of the European Parliament has raised 50,000 Swiss francs to back Mr Adam's action against the Swiss

Covernment. If necessary, he would take his case to the European Commission of Human Rights, Stras-bourg, he said.

He also intends bringing an action against the EEC and against Dr Willy Schlielder, a lawyer who was director gen-eral of the EEC Competitions Division (in charge of fair tradmade his disclosures.

Mr Adams claims that he has evidence that Dr Schlieder, either intentionally or by mis-take, disclosed his identity as the source of the information to one of the drug company's lawyers. EEC officials and Dr Schleider deny that.

He was a senior executive of the drug company and was charged under Switzerland's appeal.
industrial espionage laws and held in 1974 for nearly three months while awaiting release the most important, he seeks



right to stay.

nublicity about his case.

He said yesterday that he did not regret the disclosures. "I do not wish to sound bombastic,

but I did not do it for my bene-fit. I did it for human beings;

I did it out of a sense of duty.
"I would do the same now. If

was wrong, I would report it today, tomorrow or any day."

Mr Stanley Adams: Case backed by European MPs.

ing) at the time Mr Adams on bail. During that time his wife committed suicide. After Mr Adams, a former British honorary consul who held a British passport until Malta became independent, disclosed price-fixing agree-ments instigated by Holfmann-

La Roche, the company was fined £250,000 by the EEC for breaching competition laws. The fine was reduced on

Drug addicts NCCL lawyer's reputation harmed, court told may lose a third of NHS beds

By a Staff Reporter Swiss to acknowledge they were Closure of a drug dependency wrong to bring the case.

The planned case against the unit at Bexley Hospital in Kent threatens to deprive the National ealth Service of nearly EEC and Dr Schlieder, in which he seeks compensation, will be started in Brussels and if necesone third of its 63 specialist drug addiction beds when the num-ber of addicts is rising, doctors and staff at the unit said yester-

sary go to the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg.

The case against the drug The closure, due on March 1 company may be pursued through British courts. but still subject to consultation. The Stanley Adams appeal committee, which includes Sir is aimed at saving £160,000 a year from the budget of Green-wich and Bexley Area Health John Foster, QC, and Mr Peter Archer, QC, a former Solicitor General, has raised £10,000 to a £500,000 deficit this year.

help Mr Adams and will be pressing the Home Office Dr Judith Morgan, consultant sychiatrist at the 20-bed unit, through MPs to grant him the said it provides services for patients in south-east England Mr Michael Ivens, director of and sometimes from elsewhere. Aims, the free enterprise organization and a member of the committee, said yesterday:

"Britain has a strong tradition Closure will mean real suffering for our patients and un-necessary deaths are probable of accepting people who are dissidents or victims of political injustice. Stanley Adams's case is tailor-made for that."

Mr Adams arrived in Britain

necessary deaths are probable if not certain", she said. Addicts families and the community would also suffer. "The 182 patients whom we treated last year will not disappear. Both prison and general psychiatric and medical services will struggle to come with their two days ago from Italy, where he had been pig farming. will struggle to cope with their demands at a time when they His three young daughters are at a boarding school near Liverare already under severe prospool, as a result of a private donation offered because of

Home Office statistics indicated an alarming rise in the number of addicts, reaching more than 5,000 last year, and the actual number of addicts was thought to be appreciably

The proposal at present is for temporary closure; this would be likely to be at least a year, and the staff fear it would I saw something going on that

used for any purpose other than the action. The documents formed the basis of a newspaper The reputation of Miss Harriet Harman, legal officer of the National Council for Civil Liber-ties, has been damaged by the article criticizing Home Office

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prison policy. successful Home Office action Mr Price said yesterday that against her for contempt of court, the Court of Appeal was the confidentiality attaching to such documents ended once Mr Leolin Price, QC, told Lord Denning, Master of the they were read out in court.

Whether it was contempt or Rolls, sitting with Lord Justice t, he said, it was better that the journalists should have an Templeman and Lord Justice accurate view of the documents Dunn, that although her bona rather than "write an article fides had not been questioned critical or praising the mandaher reputation as a solicitor was. rins and views of the Home damaged and she had had to Office" o nihe basis of imperfect knowledge of the document. He was opening an appeal Ir made no difference, as Mr against a judgment, given in November by Mr Justice Park, Justice Park had maintained, that the journalist needed to that Miss Harman committed a see documents for the purpose serious contempt by showing a journalist documents obtained of a law report, a newspaper report or, as in this case, a

feature article, he said. covery and read out in open Lord Denning remarked that it was everyday practice for The Home Office maintains that the documents, which were released to Miss Harman in her shorthand writers to be shown documents or letters in order to check their notes.
Mr Price said that was the oner who was suing the Home Office, should not have been

case not only with eshorthand

cord, with more than 100 con-

firmed cases it says, including two golden eagles and two red kires, of which there are only

29 nesting pairs in Britain. Yet

there were few prosecutions and none on the initiative of the

Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

"Expressions of concern are not enough," the editorial says.

"It is action, not words, we now demand."



Miss Harman:

not guestioned'. writers but also with journalists

New definition urged: The appeal hearing appeal coincides with the publication today of an NCCL booklet Changing Contempt of Court. calling for a new definition of contempt.

ded a ban on the sale of one pesticide, mevinphos, greater restrictions on the availability

of strychnine and a change in

the law to make landowners

jointly responsible if their em-

Such an amendment was in-

troduced by Lord Beaumont of

Whitley at the Lords' committee:

srage of the Bill on Monday and

the society hopes that it may be adopted.

ployees misuse poisons.

curate and contemporaneous reports, whether or not they are in good faith. Changing Contempt of Court,

ted before risk.

terests.

More rare birds of prey being poisoned

in the Wildlife and Countryside
Bill, now before Parliament.
Last year was the worst on re
Silent Death. That recommenatom store tests Somerset county councillors called yesterday, at a meeting in Taunton, for an inquiry into jproposals for test drilling into possible sites for storing radio-active waste in the county.

Nicol, a barrister, and Miss Heather Rogers, a law student,

proposed a less strict definition

of contempt than that contained

in the Contempt Bill now in

committee stage in the House

The Bill defines contempt as creating a risk that the course

of justice will be seriously im-

peded or prejudiced. The book-

let, however, recommends that the word "serious" be inser-

It also urges a new defence

of publication in the public in-

The booklet proposes that confidentiality of court documents should end once they

are read out in open court, It

also urges that cases pending appeal should not be a sub

a general defence for fair, ac-

NCCL, 186 King's Cross Road, London, WC1, £1.20.

Inquiry urged on

Two applications had been made on the Natural Environ-ment Research Council's behalf to drill on Crown land near Puriton and at Brent

The councillors decided to ask the Department of the En-vironment for an inquiry

BBC to fund Ulster Orchestra

By Kenneth Gosling Arts Reporter

After months of negotiations, agreement has been reached for the disbandment of the BBC Ireland Orchestra, which was first proposed in the BBC's economy measures an-nounced last year, and the enlargement of the Ulster Orchestra with firm financial guarantees for the next five years and for continued BEC support for at least a further

The agreement, involving the Arts Council of Northern Ireland, the Musicians' Union and the Northern Ircland Musicians' Association, provides for 12 of remaining members of the BBC orchestra to move to an Ulster Orchestra enlarged to 55 players, and resettlement grants for five other players. Belfast City - Council is to contribute £150,000 over five years, and Gallaher's, the tobacco company, will contribute about \$250,000 over four

£190,000 in the first year, heginning in March, and will continue with funding support until 1986; the amounts will increase as costs rise.

A Musicians' Union official said the BBC was buying a broadcasting entitlement for a third of the orchestra's performances, the other two thirds being devoted to concert work. The sum guaranteed would be related to freelance fees; if those rose by 10 per cent then the £190,000 would go up. accordingly next year.

Draft contracts have also been completed in relation to the three radio orchestras, the Northern, Scottish and Mid-land, and they will go before the union executive on Febru-

Man cleared of ill-treating

Stepson in pool
Steven James Greenwood, a
hus driver, was cleared at
Leeds Crown Court yesterday
of ill-treating his seepson, aged two, by deliberately ducking him under the water in a swimming pool.

swimming pool.

The jury found Mr Greenwood, aged 28, of Town Street, Stanningley, Leeds, not guilty of wilfully ill-treating or exposing Terence Benjamin Ryan in a manner likely to cause him unnecessary suffering or injury to health.

Mr Greenwood, in evidence, denied having intended to harm the boy or having forced him under the water. He said: "I was trying to get him used to

was trying to get him used to the water and to teach him to swim. I loved the boy like my own son." He admitted that the boy had been crying, but said he had ignored this because the boy had been "soft".

In brief

Vickers murder case on March 16

Committal proceedings in-volving Paul Vickers, aged 46, a surgeon, and Pamela Collison, aged 33, a political researcher, have been set for March 16, magistrates at Newcastle upon Type were told yesterday by an official of the Director of

Public Prosecutions.

Mr Vickers, of Moor Crescent, Gosforth, Newcastle, and Miss Collison, of Margaret Road, Barnet, Hertfordshire, are jointly charged with the murder of Mr Vickers's wife in June, 1979. They also face three joint charges of obtaining quantities of a drug by decep-

Council opens family finding shop

A shop run by Greenwich council, containing displayed in-formation about children for in Hare Street, Woolwich, south-adoption and fostering opened east London, yesterday. The council hopes its direct approach will help to find homes for some of the 600 children placed in its care.

Village shop success

councillors opened a shop at Tivetshall, Uorfik a year ago said yester-Norfolk, a year ago said yester-day that the experiment was a big success, with a weekly turn-over exceeding £500. Volunteers run the shop, which saves a 14-mile journey.

Bear owner's denial

Andrew Robbin, aged 37, owner of Hercules, the bear that went missing in the Hebrides last year, denied at Lochmaddy Sheriff Court, North Uist, yesterday, a charge of keeping the animal without a local authority licence. The trial will be on July 14.

N:UJ monopoly fear .

The Taunton and West Somerset branch of the National Union of Journalists has asked for Associated Newspapers' pro-posed takeover of the Bristol Evening Post to be referred to the monopolies commission.

Searchers save a life

A man, aged 75, who leapt into A man, aged 75, who leapt into the river from Trent Bridge, Notingham, yesterday was rescued by police searching for the body of another man who jumped at the same spot on Tuesday.

Cost of vandalism

Vandals cost Rotherham ratepayers £47,378 over an eight-month period last year. The edu-cation department's damage bill was £13,350.

Church bells charge

Two men are to appear in court in connexion with the theft of two fourteenth-century church bells from a village near Cockermouth, Cumbria.

Damages for Mr Woodrow Wyatt over Tote article

receive "suitable" libel daniages over an unfounded newspaper allegation that he personally ordered the lowering of Tote dividends at Royal Ascot in 1976, the High Court was

counsel, said that Mirror Group Newspapers Ltd, publishers of Sporting Life, had also agreed to pay Mr Wyatt's costs and apologize publicly for a grave injustice.

Counsel told Mr Justice Park that on February 8, 1980, Sporting Life's front page was dominated by an article bearing the banner headline: "Wyatt ordered Royal Ascot dividends to be altered "

that Mr Wyatt, chairman of the

Mr Woodrow Wyatt, chair-man of the Totalisator, is to since 1976, had ordered a number of the Tote's dividends at Royal Ascot in 1976 to be altered after they had been calculated, but before they had been declared.

It was said that, according to long-serving Tore employee, told yesterday.

Ar Richard Rampton, his the dividends were "doctored"

On Mr Wyatt's personal orders on Mr Wyatt's personal orders and at least half a dozen races were affected. One Tote employee felt punters were being swindled when dividends were

It was now accepted that the allegation was without foundation. Its origin might have been the fact that in one single instance Mr Wyatt directed the dividend on one race at Royal Ascot in 1976 to be increased The burden of the article was after the withdrawal of the

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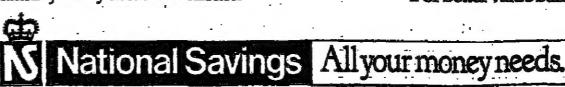
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French foreign policy to concentrate on East-West stabilization instead of détente

M Giscard warns Poland against upsetting Soviet apple cart

From Charles Hargrove Paris, Jan 28. Détente is dead, ong live stability, is how one might be inclined to sum up President the first ballot would be sufficiGiscard d'Estaing's hour-long ent to "respect the right of excursion on television last night into foreign affairs in an their right to reflect", to interview with three journalists. quote his own words. That

Although the word is taboo at the Elysée Palace, it was in fact an electoral exercise, the last by the President in office before he becomes a candidate for the presidency—at the latest possible moment, as he

has always made clear. themsel One of the journalists who years? interviewed him strayed from It was foreign affairs and broached the question which, more than Chad and European co-opera-tion was on the mind of every public opinion, that his foreign Frenchman glued to the tele-vision screen. When would he months been based on far too

From Patricia Clough

welcomed with relief today's

agreement in Brussels allowing

them to fish again off Norway

not go ahead with plans to

blockade the ports of Hamburg

and Bremen and seal off the

Danish border unless the final negotiations on a Community

fisheries agreement (on Febru-

mry 9 and 10) failed or unless

there were incidents involving

thing which would compromise

the negotiations", Herr Rudi

Roder, a representative of Cux-

The agreement means that many of the 1,200 German fishermen, who have been kicking their heels on shore for several weeks while the Com-

munity sought a fishing agree-

ment, can now put to sea.

Two-thirds of West Germany's traditional fishing grounds lie off Norway, Greenland and Canada and 19 factory

ships have been laid up. Herr Roder said the "lethargy of the politicians" in Brussels was

costing the industry DM300,000 (about £50,000) a day.

Resenvent has been running high as the end of the current season in mid-February approaches and the threat of

bankrupticies and unemploy-ment apear. On Sunday fisher-men occupied a lock at the entrance of Cuxbaven harbour and prevented an Icelandic ship

from entering. Others held a

Herr Josef Ertl, the Agricul-

tural Minister, yesterday demanded a quick agreement in

Brussels and threatened that

West Germany might withhold

contributions to the Com-

Herr Helmut Schmidt, the

Press trip visas refused

demonstration in Bonn.

We do not want to do any-

A spokesman said they would

West German

Bonn, Jan 28

and Greenland.

their ships at sea.

haven fishermen, said:

The answer was Sybilline: between 20 and 50 days before Frenchmen to be informed and

heginning of March, the first ballot being on April 26. Are seven weeks, one com-mentator asked, enough to enable Frenchmen to commit themselves for another seven

means that he will announce

his decision to stand about the

It was a somewhat sombre view which the President cast on the world last night. He was world peace and East-West anxious to respond to the relations, Afghanistan, Poland, criticism in the press, political

France pointing out that the situation had become critical

Brussels agreement: The EEC

agreement allows West German

fishermen to catch 3,000 tonnes of cod off the coast of Green-

land until February 10 to com-

pensate them for loss of access

Hornsby writes from Brussels)

An agreement between the Fen and Canada on reciprocal

by Britain until a new Com-munity fisheries policy has been

agreed, including the shareout of fishing within the EEC's own

waters.

Britain, however, agreed that

a fishing agreement with Nor-day should go into force, at least until the end of March.

least until the end of March. British fishermen stand to gain

waters, whereas they do not fish

The stalemate over a fisher-ies policy has been dragging

French band-out: The French

Government has decided to dig deep into its pocket this year to give an extra large hand-out to its ailing fishing industry. Aid totalling 306m francs

(£30m) was agreed by today's Cabinet meeting (Ian Murray writes from Paris).

for five years.

off Canada. .

Canadian waters (Michael

for the industry here.

West German welcome

for EEC fishing deal

negotiation.

The promise implicit in his decision to go to Warsaw to the Russians would gradually withdraw from Afghanistan was not fulfilled. He admitted that there had been "a shift of the positions of influence in the world to the advantage of the Script Union". the Soviet Union". That was why some people said that this detente was a fraud. He would not go that far. "The word we should have in mind is the

stabilization of East-West relations", he emphasized.
But this "stabilization" must go band in hand with "restraint" on both sides. France had shown restraint over Afghanistan. It would continue to show restraint over Poland, which must be encouraged to put its economic house in order,

but not to upset the Soviet of the dynamic quality of apple cart by attempting to cast French diplomacy. the prospects for peace and for but not to upset the Soviet adrift from socialism.

meer President Breznev that the limitations of its "geo- to prevent the Libyan takeover the Russians would gradually graphical and strategic situa- were accused of "tresponsible tion" as part of the Soviet glacis in the West. France would also

restraint over China. "It would not be a good thing for us to use China as an argument against the Soviet Union," he added. In return, Russia must show restraint in Africa and else-where, just as it had done-

his audience than to himself-in Afghanistan as a result of the Warsaw meeting. He had invited Mr Erezbney only the previous day to demonstrate this restraint again by accepting a conference on non-intervention in Afghanistan,

optimistic an assessment of without foreign intervention, which was another illustration presidential election campaign

Those who argued that France Poland had to be conscious of should have intervened in Chad were accused of "rresponsible adventurism". France would have been condemned by every-one, and lost dozens, if not hundreds of men in such an expedition. It was up to the Africans and the Chadians themselves to pur enough pressure on the Libyans to

Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes: British ministers have though it was less obvious to given a distinctly cautious response to President Giscard d'Estaing's proposal for an international conference on Afghatnistan. The first reaction in Whitehall was that the

withdraw.

Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, said that the Government would look carefully "at this pro-cedural suggestion", but made it quite clear that Britain saw the appointment of a special United Nations representative as holding out the best hope of

achieving a political solution. Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, paying special tribute to Pakistan's efforts to get talks started under the zegis of the United Nations. said that Britain was increasing its aid to help Afghan refugees in Pakistan.

Commenting on the Pakistan initiative, he welcomed any negotiations which held out a prospect of restoring to Afghanistan its political inde-French initiative might be pendence, non-aligned che partly aimed at a domestic ter and right to determine audience, given the coming own form of government.

let Metro killer flee

From Our Own Correspondent

Paris, Jan 28 Paris commuters at the busy Gare de l'Est stood by and

The incident started when a young Algerian felt the pick-pocket trying to steal his wallet in a crowded Metro train. The victim grabbed the thief's wrist and at the next station dragged him off, saying he was taking him to the police station. The thief then pulled a knife from his pocket and stabbed his

Picking pockets on the Merro has become so regular an occurrance, despite increased patrols, that the police admit privately that there is almost no way of stopping it other than by citizen's arrest. As most thieves work in gangs, with one member passing a with one member passing a

They were travelling on the train from Paris to Avranches

Michaelangelo pastel verified

Geneva, Jan 28.—A large pastel drawing in the Bodmer Foundation collection here has been pronounced by two British experts to be the work of Michelangelo. The drawing, 18 in by 14 in, depicting Christ and the Woman of Samara, is thought to date from 1543, and to have been a presentation to a friend, Vittoria Colonna.

It was purchased early in the 1950s by the founder of the collection. The experts, Mr Noel Annesley, of christie's, and Mr Michael Hirst, of the Courtauld Institute, have con-firmed its authenricity.

pendence, non-aligned character and right to determine its **Commuters**

allowed a pickpocket to escape after he had fataly cut the throat of his victim. As the dying man slumped to the platform his attacker boarded a train and fled the scene.

capter in the throat.

It was near the rush hour and the platform was crowded; but everyone then stood back and let the murderer board the train. Nobody on the train did anything until a young student from Zaire raised the alarm two stations further down the line. Later a 53-year-old man, believed to be from North Africa was arrested by railway police.

Picking pockets on the Metro stolen wallet to another, such arrests are difficult.

Six young people were arrested at Argentin yesterday morning after they threatened and robbed passengers using knives and knuckledusters.

hits Suárez party 800,000 passengers were held up from 8 am to 10 am today with virtually no trains running. .An indefinite "work to rule" Another two-hour stoppage was by air traffic controllers has called for tonight with the same pattern planned for tomorrow. obliged Spain's ruling Centre Democratic Union to postpone Talks are being held, however, between the State railways and

Air controllers' action

From Richard Wigg

aced at the conference criti-

cisms from other leading party figures of his way of governing.

There is a lingering suspicion in political circles today that the party apparatus prefferred

without setting any new date in

order to disrupt the plans of Señor Suárez's party critics.

choose to invoke legislation still

to declare services as essential which would prohibit any dis-

Senor José Luis Alvarez, the Minister of Transport, faces criticism for having allowed the wage negotiations with the air

traffic controllers to drag on. A final decisive round was set by his officials for last Monday,

only hours before some 2,000 party delegates were to fly to Majorca. Señor Alvarez said

today that the authorities would

The air traffic controllers
"work to rule", which also
affects incoming international
flights though to a lesser

degree, began without any prior posification after the talks

had broken down. It continued today with little prospect, apparently, of the negotiations

resumming soon.

At Barajas airport, Madrid, domestic flights will leav today every 20 manutes instead of

every three minutes at peak

hours. There were delays of between five and six hours and

not negotiate under duress.

the ruling party's interests.

The Government did not

postpone the conference

Madrid, Jan 28

tomorrow.

its party conference due to have opened in Palma, Majorca, the railwaymen to end the wage dispute.
The Government has rejected The air traffic controllers' action which began yesterday, the air traffic controllers' wage coincides with temporary stopdemands on the ground that they are more than three times pages by railwaymen. Both are the 12 per cent increase set for intended to force the Governemployees in the public sector under this year's budget. The air traffic controllers maintain ment to agree to wage increases. Señor Adolfo Suárez, the Prime Minister, who is also president of the ruling party,

that their pay has steadily declined since 1977. The secretariat of the Centre Democratic Union said that the decision to postpone the conference was unanimous, with the so-called "critical sector", representing the Christian Democratic and Liberal wings

of the party, agreeing not to bow to trade union blackmail. Señor Suárez's critics within the party are concentrating their attack on the lack of inon the Statute Book enabling it dustrial discipline, and on an alleged inability of the Suarez administration to be seen to be ruptive action, presumably to avoid accusations of favouring governing.
The Majorca hotel industry

is up in arms as the conference would have been a boon to the island at low season. The hotel where Senor Suarez was to have stayed has just been acquired by Arab interests. Palma was chosen because the European security conference has occupied semi-permanently Madrid's Palace of Congresses. It is uncertain when the conference will be held. Next month will be busy in the Cortes, with important legislation including a controversial Bill on divorce. Pilated by the Minister of Justice, a Social Democrar who supports the Prime Minister, the Bi4 divides Señor Subrez's Christian Democrat and Liberal critics and this this could be one advantage of postponing the party confer-

ence.

But against this has to be
set the general impact of
industrial stoppages as the
Government doggedly struggles to show it has sufficient author ity left to continue until the many flights were cancelled. it left to continue On the railways, an estimated 1983 general election.

Schmidt policy critic keeps up leftist challenge

From Our Own Correspondent Chancellor's defence policy. Bonn, Jan 28

One of Herr Helmut Schmidt's most unruly left-wing MPs today defled his parliamen tary party and announced that he would go on attacking the Chancellor's policies,

Herr Karl-Heinz alleged at a press conference that some of the Government's policies and in particular plans to export arms to non-Nato countries, went against the Social Democratic Party's prin-ciples. He claimed that most of the party felt as he did.

Herr Hansen was censured by the SPD parliamentary party last night for a strongly-worded attack on the Chancellor in the left-wing magazine Konkret. Among other things, he had called Herr Schmidt's foreign and defence policies political Schweinereien—foul tricks. He now faces possible expulsion from the party.

He was supported by two other SPD deputies, Herr Man-fred Coppik and Herr Kalus Thüsing, with whom he formed the hard core of left-wing rebels.

They put forward a resolution in the party calling for DM1,000m (£210m) to be cut from the defence budget
All 24 had originally intended

to be present at the press conference but after the move against Herr Hausen the other

The left-wingers are par-ticularly unhappy about a Government agreement to sell two submarines to Chile and numerous Leopard tanks and nighty sophisticated weapons to Saudi Arabia. They are also upset over reports that the Government is considering dropping its self-imposed ban on arms exports to areas of international tension.

There is also growing resentment over the joint decision with Nato to deploy new medium-range nuclear missiles in Western Europe. They feel their assent was given on the understanding that the United States would ratify the Salt Two arms limitation treaty, which it has not done. Numerically they could leave

the Government in a minority if they chose to vote against it on defence issues but it is not yet clear whether all would be His attack came on the heels defence issues but it is not to of an unsuccessful move by 24 clear whether all would SPD left-wingers against the determined enough to do so.



Signor Adolfo Sarti, Italy's Justice Minister, in high spirits after rebuffing opposition demands for his resignation over his handling of prison visits by Radical Party MPs.

Italian leader's views on terrorism anger Russia

From John Earle Rome, Jan 28 The Italian Government is This shows just how seriously the Government views the crisis embarrassed by an incident affecting its relations with the facing the industry and how sensitive it was to the causes of last summer's dispute which led arrecting its relations with the Soviet Union arising from remarks by President Pertini on the international links of Italian terrorism. The President's comments have brought a sharp protest from Moscow. To give time for the temperato fishermen blockading French Greenland anger: Greenland may hold an early referendum over its EEC membership in protest at the fishing agree-ments. The threat follows Denture to cool the government mark's temporary suspension has postponed a statement in yesterday because of its opposi-tion to West German trawiers Parliament on the subject from yesterday until next Tuesday. fishing cod in Greenland waters. President Giscard d'Estaing of France visited Greenland voted by referen-dum in 1972 to join the EEC and planned to hold a second Rome last week, President Pertini in interviews with French television and Le Figaro referendum on its membership early next year. (UPI reports reiterated bis belief. Italian terrorists received from abroad, and mentioned Turkey and Italy as two countries subjected to attempts to disrupt their stability. He apparently spoke from personal Helsinki, Jan 28. - Soviet Mr Thomas Romantschuk, conviction, and cited no evidence. The context of his remarks implied that he was thinking of the Soviet Union.

Signor Walter Macotta, the authorities have refused visas chairman of the IPA, said he to Western members of did not know the reason. "We Helsinki's International Press joked that the trip will be Association (IPA), whom they stopped because one of the had invited to visit the mining and industrial complex in Kostamus, 20 miles east of Finland's border. The Russian reason. Only the Soviets know that." Italian Ambassador in Moscow, was called to the Foreign Ministry yesterday to be told in a protest that such "obviously absurd assertions" and insinua-

tions were an insult to the Soviet Union which had always condemned terrorism.

Signor Pertini, who owes much of his popularity to a tendency to say what he thinks, evidently failed to coordinate his remarks beforehand with the Government, After several the Government. After several hours yesterday of hurried consultations, the President's and Prime Minister's offices last night issued a joint statement which expressed "perplexity" at the Soviet protest, saying the President had merely called attention to the fact that two countries on the borders of countries on the borders of Nato, Turkey and Italy, were the object of intense terrorist offensives. The affair has provided an

statements by politicians in which, however, the more moderate leaders of the Christian Democrats have not joined. Signs are that the deterioration of relations between Rome and Moscow will be only temporary. Mr Timofei Guzhenko, the Soviet Minister of Merchant Marine, is in Italy to discuss possible orders for Italian shipyards under the new Soviet five-year plan, and until now at least, his programme is going ahead as scheduled.

checked by fraud experts San Remo, Jan 28.-Experts

Roulette wheels

in roulette wheel rigging took over San Remo's Casino today to investigate an alleged swindle by croupiers and regular customers that is said to have robbed the casino millions of pounds. he experts were from a Paris

company that for years has supplied equipment to casinos all over the world, investiganing officials said. Their task was to examine the roulette wheels to see if

they had been tampered with in a way that could enable the croupers to determine the slot the little white balls dropped into. terdav bundreds of police and finance agents went to homes in San Remo and arrested 18 croupiers and gambling room supervisors and 30 of the casino's regular

The investigators claimed that croupiers and some super-visory staff saw ot it that selected regular customers made large winnings and then shared the proceeds. Experts, estimated the loss to the casino at between £4.1 and £8.2m.—UPI.

customers.

Central Athens blanketed by thick snow From Our Own Correspondent

Central Athens lay under a thick blanket of snow today which disrupted traffic and caused all schools to close for 48 hours as the weather report promised more snowfalls and

temperatures below freezing for the next two days.

Greece has been in the grip of an unusually long cold spell which has crippled communications, damaged crops, and killed thousands of carries and killed thousands of carr

Airways grounded its donestic flights because of snow on the runways and poor visibility.

Bonn's envoy criticizes its attitude to E Germany

From Gretel Spitzer Berlin, Jan 28

Herr Gunter Gaus, the West German envoy to East Germany for the past six and a half years, today paid a farewell call on Herr Oskar Fischer, the East

West Germany's approach to East Germany. On relevision he said that West Germany and its media tended to ignore the media tended to ignore the existence of a German state on the other side of the eastern border, seeing instead, wrongly in his opinion, only the ruling Communist Party, and an en-slaved mass of people, living under this regime.

There was no affection for the East Germans, he said. thousands of cattle.

Athens was cut off from the north of the country today but snowploughs were trying to clear the main highway and the railway north of here. Because of gales sailings from Piraeus were cancelled and Olympic Airways grounded its domestic flights because of snow on the what East Germany was really like, West Germany was making it difficult for itself to exploit table of a Government lodge
Last week, Herr Gaus was
during a recent diplomatic elected a West Berlin senator
in charge of science and rein reviewing his long term search.

Vision of computer-enslaved world From Ian Murray

prejudices tampered with But anyone with a sense of fair play should accept the South African Embassy's offer of free films and publications about South

They're partisan, of course. But the Prejudice and ignorance about facts they contain are incontrovertible. South Africa are rife-even among her friends, let alone her detractors. Opinions Accept or reject our ethos as you will. But in all fairness, don't put a country about her are often based on the South on trial without listening to her own Africa of ten, twenty, thirty years ago. The true bigot doesn't want his viewpoint

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Occupation/Special interest Address

South Africa seldom gets a good

press. The injustices and imperfections in

her country make the headlines. Her own

endeavours to create a fairer society are

passed over

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Paris, Jan 28
A terrifying prospect of a world ruled or enslaved by the magnetic band has been con-jured up in Monte Carlo during the first international symposium devoted to computer

Delegates to "Top Secret 1" heard from Mr Don P. Parker, the American who has so far succeeded in classifying 800 types of computer crime. He gave warning that within 10 years the real threat to world stability would not be nuclear power but the ability of one nation to enslave another by paralysing its computers.

security.

Although to date the usual computer crime was committed by the white-collar expert who vorked on them and then went home to his family. In years to come political crimes, terrorism, and even war would be waged on and through the machines, he claimed.

One example of the type of lackmail that could be achieved came from West Ger-

the operation of a large chemical group. The board hesitated only briefly before handing over \$200,000 ransom to recover the bands, without which the company could not operate.

Many banks are even more vulnerable than the chemical group. So much of their records are on tape in their computer centres that it is doubtful whether they could continue in business if these were destroyed. Were a big bank to be affected in this way there would be inevitable and serious repercussions on the economy of the country where it was based.

Hostile nations could make use of technology to disturb the computers of their neighbours, ruining weather reporting or stock market dealings. Crime by computer is already known to be extremely diffi-cult to detect. Of the 633 discovered in 1979, 472 were in the United States, 35 in Sweden,

many, where an operator had 23 in Britain, 21 in West Ger-succeeded in stealing 22 many, nine in France and eight magnetic bands essential for in Japan. In Europe alone the the operation of a large present cost of these frauds is

present cost of these frauds is estimated at 15,000m francs (£1,360m) a year.

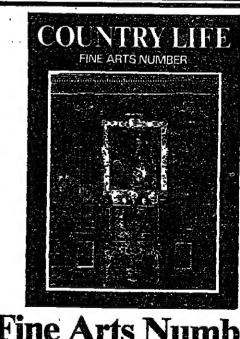
According to the Stanford Research Institute of America, the average holdup of a computer brings the white-collar criminal a profit of \$500,000 compared with only \$10,000 for the traditional armed holdup.

The Geneva-based Inter-The Geneva-based Inter-national Association for the

Study of Assurance has calcu-

lated that computer error will cost companies worldwide at least \$5,000m a year by 1988, plus a further \$700m in fraud. The conference heard stories successful

computer criminals, like the programmer at an American bank who was caught out after having transferred \$20m to fictitious accounts. He was dismissed but to avoid a scandal no charges were brought. He was rapidly reemployed when the bank realized the havoc be could cause if he went to work for another firm.



Fine Arts Number INTER-WAR CHURCHES UNDER THREAT

Gavin Stamp criticises recent destructive and insensitive alterations to some of the churches that were built between the World Wars.

HAM HOUSE RE-INTERPRETED In an article illustrated in colour, John Cornforth discusses aspects of the recent restoration of 17th-century decoration and furnishing at Ham House, Surrey.

JEWELLED TRIBUTE TO THE PAST Diana Scarisbrick describes the British Museum's Hull Grundy Gift, and illustrates in colour this 19th-century jewellery which was inspired by ancient, medieval and

Renaissance sources. AN ENERGETIC VICTORIAN Francis Russell traces, through the diary of Lady Charlotte

Guest, the formation of the picture collection at Canford Manor, Dorset in the mid 19th century. REWARDS OF HIGH OFFICE In the first of two articles, Judith Banister relates how, from the 16th century onwards, obsolete Seals of England were

incorporated in silver cups and salvers.

On sale now

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here have decided to launch their own peace initiative to try to solve the Afghan crisis, In doing so they have effectively abandoned the insurgents in Afghanistan who have been fighting the Soviet Army for the past 12 months.

This is not the way in which delegates to the Islamic summit would wish their decisions to be interpreted, but they have asked the United Nations to appoint a special representative to mediate between Afghanistan and its neighbours.

This step undermines the Afghan guerrillas' insistence that there should never be any negotiations with the Soviet-backed Government in Kabul, led by Mr Babrak Kermal,

Indeed, despite all the condemnation of the Saudis and other conservative Arab series, the resolution passed by the conference last night, calling for a political solution in Afghanistan, does not even make reference to a Soviet

It refers merely to Russian "intervention" in Afzhanistan and avoids any criticism of the Soviet Union. Pakistan was the first country to suggest such an approach and when Mr Agha Shahi, the Pakistani Foreign Minister, was asked today why the summir had not condemned the Soviet Union, he said: "When you move into negotiations with a party, it is inappropriate to make condem-

ment of the Saudis with the feuding insurgent organizations The Islamic nations meeting who claim to be able to defeat the Russians in Afghanistan.

The resolution was also partly prompted by President Giscard d'Estaing's own initiative; a suggestion of an international conference on Afghanistan that startled many delegates here and prompted others to suspect that the French leader was trying to upstage the Islamic sum-

Dr Kurt Waldheim, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, is at present unhappy about the idea of appointing a special representative, although he will need to respond to the Islamic nations' resolution in a

As the summit neared its end tonight, it became apparent that a new boycott of all companies trading with Israel will be imposed by the Muslim countries attending the con-ference. Mr Habib Chatti, the conference secretary general, confirmed today that a boycott office would be set up to list the names of all companies dealing with Israel.

The Arab Leugue already operates a similar office in Damascus, but the new boycott will embrace a far larger num-ber of nations than the 22-member league. In theory at least, 42 countries will now be involved in blacklisting any commercial firm that does business with Israel.

This is the cornerstane of the new economic struggle which the conference has endorsed to The summir resolution re- put further pressure upon flects the growing disenchant- Israel to hand back cast JerusaMr Yassir Arafat, chairman

of the Pelestine Liberation Organization, therefore has the satisfaction of knowing that not only the Arabs but other Muslim nations are prepared to take tactical steps to act against

He was less enamoured, however, of a short speech made to the conference this morning by President Sarkis of Lebanon. Mr Sarkis, whose small but anarchic nation had been virtually forgotten during the summit, angered Mr. Arafat by suggesting, not without con-siderable justification, that PLO guerrillas had broken agree-ments by their activities in

southern Lebanon Mr Sarkis said: "Can we continue to be observers in such a situation when it could destroy Lebanon itself, in addition to the fact that there is intimidation by the armed Palestinian presence in the south in violation of its commitments towards Lebanon?"

Mr Arafat scribbled on a notepad during this unexpected criticism, but did not attempt

If the summit is prepared to take initiatives over Afghanis-tan and the Polestinians, however, it has failed to bring any conclusion to the Iraq-Iran war.
President Husain of Iraq
addressed the summit today,
but did no more than restate his willingness to call a cease-fire and withdraw from Iranian territory, but only if lead could hold undisputed and total sovereignty over the Shatt al-Arab waterway.

Leading article, page 15



Mr Lech Walesa, the Polish union leader, meeting activists of Rural Solidarity who have

Polish workers urged not to strike

Warsaw, Jan 28.—The execuive of Poland's independent the media, and the right of
rade union movement Soliprivate farmers to establish
arity called on all its regional their unions. The strike will
ranches today to abstain from exempt hospitals and railways. tive of Poland's independent trade union movement Soli-darity called on all its regional branches today to abstain from strike action until next Tuesday and announced that a one-hour national warning strike would be held on that day.

Solidarity's national coordinating commission, meeting in Gdansk, said that strikes being called by regional branches were making Poland's economic

and social chaos worse and appealed to its branches to stop the present, strikes, which have hit hundreds of factories across the country "unless they are in response to reprisals taken by demand for payment for work-

If the strike does not have the desired effect, the com-mission will decide on February 18 what to do next. It called on the Government to use the time until then to negotiate settle-ments of all claims currently in Hanger

dispute.
The national leadership also

Rzeszow "until the problem of Rural Solidarity is solved."-Agence France-Presse and UPI. Food appeal: The Duke of Norfolk is leading an appeal for support for the Food for Poland Fund launched by Poles living in Britain. Food intended for the needy in Poland will be bought from donations sent to the Polish Catholic Centre, Courtfield Gdns, London 12, or to Lloyds Bank, ager Lane branch, 5 Ashbourne Parade, London W.5. (Food for Poland Fund, account

Ayatollah denies Mr Haig rules out supply of arms to Tehran

From Patrick Brogan.

Washington, Jan 28

Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State said that the President's warning against future acts of terrorism, delivered yesterday, was consupplied to Iran, fulfilling peither previous orders nor new over possible American researches against future acts of terrorism, delivered yesterday, was consupplied to Iran, fulfilling some doubt in people's minds over possible American researches against future possible American researches against future acts of terrorism. ones. Those arms that Iran had action. He added that control-ordered and paid for before the ling international terrorism American Embassy was seized would be one of the new Govin 1979 will probably be sold elsewhere and the proceeds returned to Iran.

Mr Haig was asked at a press conference whether any sanctions, such as a new trade enibargo, would be invoked against fran in retaliation for the mistreatment of the hostages. He replied that he would not speculate on the question and that "the period ahead is going to clearly demonstrated the company of the company of the company demonstrated the company of the company strate the nature and character of the Iranian regime's post-

hostage-return attitudes.
"There are additional American hostages in Iran, one with a clear citizenship connotation, and a host of other concurrent

ban on trade with Iran had lifted, Americans had warned of the undesira-Americans had oility of travelling there. Until further deliberations had been made with respect to future commercial arrangements, it is my view that the most careful caution should be applied by American firms, He anticipated that the United States would "fulfill its obligations (to Iran) within the

context of domestic law and

international practice ".

ernment's main priorities, re-placing the Carter Administrarights.

Mr Haig opened his press conference by praising the State Department's professional staff, which he has inherited, "together with a number of augmentees" from outside the foreign service.

. He welcomed President Giscard d'Estaing's proposai for a summit meeting to dis-cuss ways of dealing with the continued Russian occupation of Afghanistan, and suggested that any such gathering should include the Islamic countries.

Mr Haig expressed his contation of the Cuban proxy. He repeated the argument be advanced during his confirmation hearings in the Senate, that Americans often underestimate Europe's contribution to the common defence. He said that every member of the alli-ance could do more, but recognised

economic, difficulties. "I would like to see a wider recognition of what Europe is

World View

by Arrigo Levi

Changing policies to suit America's mood

moods: not just in the sense that they tend to change spec-tacularly, but that at any particular moment the emerging mood usually sweeps the whole

America, thanks to television and to its being a continental nation-state, distant from its counterpart in the global power game, feels and behaves like a

typical twentieth century "national village".

At present America is in one of its moods and the rest of the world had better take notice. not have announced so swittly that they were normalizing re-lations with Iran if they had been sufficiently aware of the strength of America's feelings about the hostages.

They would at least have allowed a decent delay of a few days before giving the impres-sion that they had forgiven Iran for such a barbaric crime, which had forced America to mission in the world today,
An additional element defines
the present mood of America as

different from all other similar states in America's past. The hostages' episode, together with the Soviet invasion of Afghani stan, has suddenly brought home the uncomfortable fact that there are in today's world precise and uncomfortably nar-row limits to America's power to shape the world according to its ideals, interests and

This again may lead to alternative, even opposite policies: either to an attempt to re-conquer the goodwill of the world by shaping America's foreign policy according to its great ideals of liberty and equality, or to an attempt to reassert American power through a jump in military expenditure and a "realistic" foreign policy, which supports anybody who is pro-American (and anti-Russian, whatever his moral and ideological values

may be.
In the rest of the world the hostages had been long forgotten. Not so in America, thanks to the continuous presence on television of the hostages' families, which had become a recognized presence and political force in American

The fact that even America's best friends did not share or understand the intensity of its feelings tends to increase this ountry's dangerous feeling of being isolated and misunder-stood, if not betrayed, even by hose who owe America their very freedom.

Due to these circumstances,

America is more than ever American economy.

aware of the uniqueness of its CTimes Newspapers Ltd., 1981.

world, as well as of its poignant national unity. It is of such stuff that isolationism is made, though on this same ground opposite policies may take root, an interventionist nature.

As we know, Mr Carter tried the first policy for two or three years; then, in spite of the fact that he had obtained some results (for instance, in solving the Panama Canal issue, or dramatically improving America's image in Africa) he ended by embracing, to a con-siderable extent, the second

President Reagan, who was swept to power by the change in America's mood, will find half his work already done or started by the last acts of Mr Carter. He will have difficulty, ing America's military expendiconsiderable pressure to prove that the change of mood is really going to produce a change of policies—and some

Unfortunately there is always a gap between moods and poli-cies. When one considers many concrete problems, as they present themselves today to the new Administration, one does not find in Washington any clear indication of what the responses will be.

This applies for instance to such an issue as the Middle East: one can talk to representative figures of the Reagan Administration whose language would delight most Arab listeners, and to others who are the fiercest supporters of Israel.

The same uncertainty exists in security policy, where Mr Caspar Weinberger, Secretary for Defence, does not yet seem to be in control. It is not known what his priorities will be: servicemen's pay, or the strengtheoing of America's strategic deterrent? MX missiles, or a renegotiated agreement on ABMs? One does not even know how much he intends to spend, or not to spend, above Mr Carter's last budget, which was a formidable one.

On these and other problems. including the central one of if and when to try a new nesotiat-ing approach to the Soviet inion (at once, or only after America has, hopefully, become stronger?), there may have to be real conflicts inside the Administration before we know in which way America's present mood will translate itself into policies.

In the meantime, President Reason's main preoccupation— world permitting—will be the

US plans to redress its 'inferior military position'

United States Defence Secretary today criticized military budget roposals made by former President Carter and said that the United States armed forces were in "far less than satisfactory"

Chiefs of Staff that the military balance was shifting against the United States and its allies.

tee. Mr Weinberger said that the Carter budgets for 1981 and 1982, calling for ourlays of \$158,000m (£65,800m) and \$180,000m reflected a much \$158,000m more tranquil view of the inter-national political scene than actually exists ".

will build enough, and I hope in time, to redress the inferior position we now occupy" comforces. He did not disclose what budget increases he would pro-

welcomed

to White House From Our Own Correspondent

Washington Jan 28

Pesident Reagan today sought to carry out his election pledge to improve relations between the United States and its closest neighbours, by welcoming Mr Edward Seaga, the recently elected Jamaican Prime Minister, to the White House.

The visit is the first to Washington by a foreign head of government since Mr Reagan's inauguration a week ago. The only other foreign leaders to have met the new President since the November election are President José López Portillo of Mexico and Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German

CIA chief confirmed

Washington, Jan 28.—The United States Senare has voted 95 to nil to confirm Mr William Casey, aged 67, as Director of the Central Intelligence Agency. Mr Casey was intelligence chief in Europe with the Office of Special Services during the

Three charges against Mar-

ine Private Robert Garwood,

the only serviceman accused of

treason in the Vietnam war, were dismissed by the judge at his court martial yesterday. The main charge of collabor-

ating with the enemy stands, bowever, and the five-man jury

Jamaica Premier Mr Sharon defends plan to reward builders with land

Tel Aviv, Jan 28

Mr Ariel Sharon, the Israeli Minister of Agriculture, con-firmed in Jerusalem today that he proposed paying private contractors for building in the occupied Arab areas by granting them valuable land in Israel's

Leaks about the plan had led to fierce criticism and Mr Sharon, speaking in the Knes-set, asked: "What is wrong with it?"

"The country will benefit twice", he said. "Once when homes rise in Karnei Shamron, Galilee, Ariel and Kedumim and again when the same contractors build homes in the heart of the country." Mr Sharon said the proposal

had been discussed with offi-cials of the Finance Ministry but be acknowledged that it had

Private Garwood, who spent

14 years in Vietnam before re-

desertion, trying to persuade. American soldiers to stop fight-

the housing needed due to budgetary problems.

Contractors interviewed in the media were dubious about the plan. One said: "It's a wedding on the moon." Mr Teddy Kollek, Mayor of Jerusalem, said that if public land in the city were sold, he would want the proceeds to build schools. He wanted to proceeds to build schools. schools. He warned contractors that he would do his best to deny city permits to build on land which the contractors obtained through a deal with

Mr Sharon, the main Cabinet proponent of speedy settlement in the occupied areas, was seen to be trying to start as much development as possible in the months before the coming general election, to present a future government with a fait accompli.

but he acknowledged that it had not been proposed to the Cabinet of the Council of the steps needed to put the plan into operation.

He said he had conferred with contractors, explaining that the state could not finance its security.

Compli.

The Labour Party, which is expected to win the election to be held probably in June proposes offering much of the West Bank and Gaza to Jordan in a peace treaty and favours confining Jewish settlement to areas that Iscael must keep for its security.

Vietnam war soldier cleared of desertion

During the 11-week trial at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, turning home last year, has been acquitted on charges of the defence has not sought to not collaborate with the enemy. ing and verbally abusing an he was at the time mentally American prisoner of war. Incapacitated and unable to Beside the main count of col- appreciate that what he was laboration, a charge that he doing was wrong.

party rift over hostages From Tony Allaway Tehran, Jan 28

One of Iran's most powerful clergymen today denied reports that prominent members of the dominant Islamic Republican Party (IRP) had resigned over

the hostages deal.
"No, this is only rumour".
Ayatollah Muhammad Beheshti, head of the Supreme Court and the leader of the IRP, said. He acknowledged that there

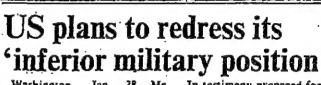
had been differences within the party over the freeing of the hostages. "No party can have (one) idea on every subject, but when the majority of the party have an idea the minority will

But he told a press conference that remarks by another prominent IRP clergyman two days ago of resignations over the hostages had no relation to the party itself. Ayatoliah Beheshti said the Government had done its best in the negotiations

bury's special envoy to Iran was told at the Iranian Embassy in London yesterday that the the tour detained Britons to be released as quickly as possible. They are Miss Joan Waddell and Dr and Mr John Coleman, all missionwries, and Mr Andrew Pyke, a businessman.

After his discussion with Dr Seyfollah Ehdaie, the Iranian Charge d'Affaires, Mr Waite said that on the strength of his assurances he would not request

assurances he would not request a visa to visit Iran



His criticism of the military spending plans announced by Mr Carter before leaving office last week coincided with a re-

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An aerial view of the Tampomas II ferry (right) taken a few hours before the ship sank in the Java Sea on Tuesday.

762 saved

ferry disaster
Jakarta, Jan 28.—A total of

374 people were listed as dead

or missing today after a pas-

senger ferry sank in the Java.

Sea yesterday, an Indonesian

Government spokesman said.

in Java

meetings.

Guests include: Prince Bern-

French foreign poly pressure M Giscargainst

From Charles Hargrove Paris, Jan 28. Détente is dead, ance build-up

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Althoug' machine at the expense at the p machine at the expense fact a al welfare to placate the last and States. hef ir Ichio Asukata, the leader

for the Socialist Party, the country's main opposition group, told Parliament that the Government had increased expenditure on defence by 7.6 per cent this year because the United States was urging its Asian ally to take a greater responsibility for the security of the area. has reduce Mr Asukata said: "Welfare per cent."

has been sacrificed because the Government: has embarked on a plan to build up the defence force in violation of the terms of Japan's constitution. At present international tension is being intensified and it is at this moment that Japan should be making an effort to break out of the vicious circle of the build-up

Calling on the Government to Calling on the Government to create a nuclear-free zone in Asia and the Pacific, Mr Asukata told Mr Zenko Suzuki: "If you, Mr Prime Minister, say you will abide by the terms of our peace constitution, then you should stop building up our defence forces and take a clear stand that Japan is non-aligned and neutral

fears that the Government might he taking steps to rearm Japan and turn it into a military power, the United States expressed disappointment that Japan was not spending more on defence.

A senior American diplomat said today: "We were originally promised that Japan would increase defence spend-ing by 9.7 per cent this year. The United States considered this to be inadequate if Japan is. to take a greater responsibility for its own security. And now. we find that the Government has reduced the increase to 7.6

In essence, Japan will have to increase defence spending by 15 per cent a year over the next. four years if it is to keep its promise to Washington and national product on defence by

Denying assertions that a build-up of Japan's defence forces might alarm its smaller Asian neighbours, Mr Suzuki told Parliament that the United States had not influenced the Government's decision to in-crease spending on its military machine, euphemistically named the "Self-Defence Forces".

Mr Suzuki also warned the country that taxes would have to be increased because the Govand neutral

The Government found itself up a debt of \$67.950,000m under pressure on two sides to-day. In contrast to the growing (£28,100,000m) in deficit financing this year.

Vietnam gives terms for troop withdrawal

Eargkok, Jan 28.—Vietnam said today that it was ready to withdraw some troops from Kampuchas under certain conditions and proposed a regional conference between the Indo-Chinese countries and the non-communist countries of South-East Agia.

a statement at the end of a two-day meeting of the Vietnamese, Laotian and Kempucheen Foreign Ministers in Ho Chi Minh city, Hanoi redio reported.

The report said Vietnem was prepared to withdraw an unspecified number of troops from Kampuchen if Thailend stooped making territory avail-able to the Khmer guerrillas,

reduction in

leaves for

Peking, Jan 28.—Amid fresh signs of economic retrenchment, China announced today that it will reduce military spending in 1981 to help balance its budget.

The Man China announced today president Chun Doo Hwan South Korea left Seoul to on a 10-day visit to the Unit States at the invitation.

The New China news agency said the Military Commission had issued a directive ordering the People's Liberation Army cut spending and make better use of funds already pro-

The directive says all Army construction projects must be readjusted to conform to finan-

tive head of the Government—visit the United States Pacific UPI.

and stopped supplying them with food and weapons.
Thailand says it has a strictly neutral policy towards the con-flict in Kampuchea and denies giving assistance to the guer-rillas fighting the 200,000 Viet-

namese occupation troups.

Hanoi radio said the Indo-Chinese countries also offered a regional conference between themselves and the Association of South-east Asian Nations (Asean) consisting of Indo-nesia, Malaysia, the Philippines,

Sineapore and Thailand.

The report added that a full withdrawal of Vietnamese troops would only be considered when "the threat from China" no longer existed.—

Reuter

China announces | S Korea leader

President Chun Doo Hwan of South Korea left Seoul today on a 10-day visit to the United States at the invitation of

President Reagan. Mr Chun will be the first head of state to meet President. Reagan and the first South Korean one to visit the United

States for 12 years. He will have talks with President Reagan in Washingreadjusted to conform to financial and material limits, and all
military expenses must be carefully calculated," the agency
added.

The Military Commission is
now under the direct control of
Mr Deng Xiaoping, the effective head of the Government.—

Tresident Reagan in Washington on February 2, and will
meet Dr Kurt Waldheim, the
United Nations SecretaryGeneral in New York, address
the National Press Club, attend
a dinner given by Mr David
Rockefeller, the president of
the Chase Manhattan Bank and
visit the United States Pacific

Gone are the the days of bagging 100 lions on a safari A wildlife reserve for 60 years bers of visitors both to Serengeti and to the adjoining Masai

dead.

The vessel caught fire on Sunday or Monday during a trip across the Java Sea from Jakarta, the Indonesian capital

on the north-west coast of Java, to Ujung Pandang, the capital and chief port of the island of Sulawesi (Celebes) 1,000 miles

to the east. There were 1,054 passengers and 82 crew on board.

The ferry sank about 220 miles from Ujung Pandang. At first reports were received stating, incorrectly, that the fire had been put out, the ship taken in tow, and all on board were safe.

From Charles Harrison Nairobi, Jan 28 The sixtieth auniversary of the founding of what later became the Serengeti national Mara game reserve in Kenya.

The border between Kenya and Tanzania is closed—it was closed by Tanzania four years ago—but the animals recognize park, in northern Tauzania, is being celebrated this week by more than 100 overseas guests, many of them leading figures in the world of wildlife conservation, and Tanzanian leaders no such artificial boundary, and Elaborate arrangements have move freely between the two been made to house the guests in the national park itself, Serengeti was one of the first after gathering in the town of Arusha near by for preliminary

game reserves to be formally established in the early days of British administration after the First World War. Laws were introduced in 1921, to control hunting in the Serenger

hardt of the Netherlands, chairman of the World Wildlife Fund; the Duke of Wellington, Mr John Roberts, the Canadian Environment Minister; and Professor Bernhard man of the World Wildlife Fund; the Duke of Wellington, Mr John Roberts, the Canadian Environment Minister; and Professor Bernhard Grzmek, the German naturalist, whose book, Serengeti Shall Not Dia, and his television films, have done much to make Serengeti a household word among conservationists.

Although the numbers of wild animals inhabiting the Serengeti national park have been reduced, like those of control hunting in the Serengeti plain and in the adjoining plain and i

Serengeri national park have been reduced, like those of other African game reserves, destruction. to the depredations of the Serengeri area was declared due to the depredations of the best game reserve, where illegal hunters, the area is still a protected game reserve, where best populated with a wide hunting was regulated. There heavily populated with a wide hunting was regulated range of game.

The annual movement of the need to conserve the was a growing realization of the need to conserve the game, game herds to new grazing and many photographic safaris areas, in May and June, which involves a veritable stampede World War, in addition to the of thousands of wildebeeste, traditional hunting safaris.

zebra and other animals across In 1948, Serengeti

day that Al Mafisu members

had been identified in Bauchi,

one suspect had confessed that

the sect had drawn up plans to

burn down police and govern-ment buildings.

The suspect, one of a group of 12 in police custody, was allegedly commissioned to burn down Bauchi Government House, the state broadcasting offices, the Emir's palace and the central market

The Concord report corrobo-

rated an account in yesterday's Nigerian Herald, which also stated that the Bauchi railway station had been set on fire.

The paper did not, however,

report what damage was done, but claimed that news of the

attack was leaked to the state

police before other plans could

The Kano trouble severely shocked the Government and

earlier this month the President

promised to considerably

enhance the country's defence

and security measures. Following Libyan penetration in Chad.

the central market.

be carried out.

Sect accused of planning

ics, said to belong to the Al Plateau and Imo states. It also Malisu sect, whose members said that the sect planned went on a rampage in Kano, further riots under the cover northern Nigeria, for 10 days of political meetings and that

more unrest in Nigeria

From Karan Thapar

Small bands of Muslim fanat-

in December, are said to be causing trouble in several parts

of Nigeria again.
The National Concord re-

ported today that the police have uncovered "a deliberate

In the December riots, which are being investigated by

a special judicial commission, about a thousand people may have been killed and several

The authorities claimed that nearly 1,000 members of the

nearly 1,000 memoers of the sect—allegedly led by Malam Mohammadu Marwa, alias "Maitatsini" of Cameroon— were arrested after the Nigerian

Army restored order with the use of shells, mortars and light

tanks.
Although Malam Marwa was killed, it is widely believed that several thousand more mem-

bers of the sect escaped and are still at large. The Nigerian

Government alleged that the rioters were "aliens"—from

neighbouring countries.

Largest cave

plan to cause unrest ".

hundred others injured.

Lagos, Jan 28

many miles of unspoilt country, Ngorongoro were designated as is one of the most memorable a national park, and strict con-of sights, and draws large num-servation rules were introduced. There was a conflict between the conservationists and the picturesque, Masai tribesmen who had always lived with their cattle herds alongside the wild game of the Serengeti, and resented the limitation of their

hampered the search and it is feared most of the missing are dead.

The vessel caught fire on Sunday or Monday during a ships and alicraft was under they had life jackets on, they

way, but the weather was still bad. Heavy seas had prevented rescue ships from gerting alongside bodies which had been sighted.

The Government sent 13

ships and five aircraft to the

area. The aircraft dropped 60 rubber dinghies into the sea.

but the crews reported seeing no one in the dinghies and no

raditional grazing rights.
Today Serengeti contains
tourist lodges, game trails, landing strips and other facilities
for tourists. The numbers of tourists visiting the area have fallen sharply since the Kenya border was closed, as tourists are no longer able to combine visit to Serengeri with one to Kenya. Tanzania has had some

success in attracting tourists to fly direct to Tanzania, instead of to Nairobi, but the numbers of to Nairobi, but the numbers doing so are small by comparison with the thousands who flock into Kenya each month. Conservationists are now alarmed by a proposal to build a new railway across the Serengeti plains; to link the labe Victoria part of Museum. Lake Victoria port of Musoma to the Indian Ocean port of In the early 1930s, part of Tanga, and so provide a new rouse for traffic r from landlocked Uganda. There are no funds so far to build the railways, and the conservationists hope it will never materialize.

Serengeti, they say, has suffered enough encroachment, and it would be a tragedy to threaten it further.

Patriotic Front

coalition accord

The agreement between Mr.

Mr Nkomo returned to his

Bulawayo home today after the announcement last night that he had been appointed Minister without Portfolio with advisory powers on security matters. The

From Dur Correspondent

welcomes -

Salisbury, Jan 28

The spokesman said 762 survivors had been picked up from the sea, 87 people had been confirmed dead and 287 were still missing from the ferry, Tanapomas H. The survivors have been taken in the Java Sea The survivors have been taken to Ujung Pandang and to gether on deck while the crew ern part of New Guinea, 260 are feared to have died.—AP and Reuter. Ban on two more 'Post' iournalists

From Nicholas Ashford

The South African Government has continued its purge of the black press by imposing three-year banning orders on two more black journalists. They are: Mr Phil Mtimkulu

They are: Mr Phil Mtimkulu and Mr Joe Thloloe, both of whom worked for the Post, the Transvaal newspaper which was forced to close last week.

Both men were also senior members of the Media Workers' Association of South Africa (MWASA), a black journalist's organization which supports black consciousness ideals, and was responsible for a five-week strike of black journalists last year. Mr Mtimkulu was the Transvaal vice-president of the organization.

Post staff who have been placed under government restriction orders since last month. The others are: Mr Zwelakhe Sisulu, who was also the national president of MWASA: Mr Marimuth Subramoney; and Mr Mathata Tsedu. black

Altogether eight black journalists are now victims of banning orders, although one, Mr Bokwe Mafuna, is in exile. Under the baus Mr Mrimkulu and Mr Thiolog may not pursue their journalistic careers. They will be under house arrest in the evenings, at weekends and on public holidays. They may not enter any factory, school or trade union premises. Also they may not be quoted, nor attend political or social gatherings.

Both have been journalists and black activists for several years. Mr Mtimkulu, who is 32, was first arrested and ques-

was outlawed during the attack on black consciousness organizations in October, 1977.

Mr Thloloe, aged 38, a former national president of the Union of Black Journalists, preprint 12 months in detention

spent 18 months in detention after the 1976 Soweto disturbances. As a journalist he specialized in labour matters.

insurance and pension companies, have also gone back.

were all too close to one another, and in that kind of

cramped situation anything can happen," an official said. Survivors told reporters today that when last seen the ship's

master, Captain Rifai, indicated he was staying with his vessel until the last.

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The disaster is the third in Indonesia during the past six weeks—a landslip in West Java killed 153 people last month and in an earthquake last week in remote Irian Jaya, the west of the control of the last week in remote 15 haya, the west of the control of the last week in remote 15 haya, the west of the last week in the last

Johannesburg, Jan 28

organization.
Their banning brings to five the number of members of the

tioned by security police when he was general secretary of the Union of Black Journalists, the predecessor to MWASA, which

Robert Mugabe, Zimbabwe's Prime Minister, and Mr Joshua Nkomo, his coalition partner, that has broken two weeks of tension between their parties, was welcomed today by senior members of Mr Nkomo's Patriotic Front.

Zambian miners end strike

amnouncement ended specula-tion that he might withdraw his party from the coalition because of his demotion in the recent Cabinet reshuffle. Lusaka, Jan 28. Zambia's two state-controlled mining companies, Roan Consolidated Mines Ltd and Nchanga Consolidated Copper Mines Ltd. There were signs today that the rank and file of Mr said today coppe r and cobalt production was returning to Nkomo's party were displeased about their leader's new posi-tion in the Cabinet but mem-bers of the central committee normal after eight days of protest strikes.

The miners' struck on January 20 over the expulsion

were satisfied that negotiation had averted a potentially dangerous rift. of 17 union leaders from the ruling United National Independence Party Members of the Zambia Union of Financial Institutions, who had been on Mr Nkomo was not available tonight and Mr Josiah China-mand, his chief lieutenant who strike at banks and state-run will be appointed Minister of Transport under the agreement,

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Facts later known

cannot support

legal innuendo

Grappelli and Another v Derek
Block (Holdings) Ltd and
Another
Before Lord Denning. Master of
the Rolls, Lord Justice Templeman and Lord Justice Dunn
[Judgments delivered January 20]
A cause of action for defamation arises upon publication.
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and that Mr Grappelli had given a
reason for the cancellation of the
concert which he knew to be false.
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public who had got to know of
the later engagements.

As stated in Fullam v Newcostle
(1977) 1 WLR 65t, 65t655), words could be defamatory
in their ordinary natural meaning
or as a separate cause of action
the later engagements.

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[Judgments delivered January 20]
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Where the plaintiff relies on some special meaning of the words used, a legal innuendo, the general rule is that it is necessary for him to plead and prove that the words were published to a specific person or persons who knew at the time of publication of specific facts enabling them to understand the words in the funuendo meaning. they could be based on a legal innuendo where the plainiff relied on some special circumstances which conveyed to those knowing those circumstances a special defamatory meaning.

When the words were published had the extrinsic facts to be then within the knowledge of the person to whom to they were published? Or was it sufficient that the facts subsequently came to his knowledge?

of specific facts the words in the funuendo meaning.

The Court of Appeal so stated in allowing an appeal by defendants, Derek Block (Holdings) Ltd. of Wembley, Middlesex, and their employee. Mr Ray Nedas, of Oxford Circus, London, from Mr Justice Hodgson who had upheld Master Waldman's refusal to order that the allegations of libel and slander in the amended statement of claim of the plaintiffs, Mr Stephane Grappelli, violinist, of Parls, and Mr William Charles Disley, a professional guitarist, of Westhourne Grove, Kensington, be struck out or that the plaintiffs within 14 days give particulars of individuals who understood the words complained to bear the meanings alleged. the facts subsequently came to his knowledge?

The cause of action was the publication of defamatory words of or concerning the plaintiff and it arose at the date of publication. It was said that in slander it was different and that the cause of action did not arise until there was damage, as in the case of negligence.

His Lordship preferred to go by the principle he had stated, that in defamation the cause of action arose, and a writ could be issued, as soon as the words had been published to a person then knowing of the material facts. There could be no conversion into a cause of action by facts coming into existance afterwards. Otherwise, as Mr Justice Blair pointed out in Simons Proprietary Ltd v Riddel ([1941] NZLR 913, 931), "the writer of innocuous words would become responsible for all changes of meaning any such words might later acquire owing to changes of circumstances". There principle applied. Facts which came into existence afterwards did not make the statement defamatory. tiffs within 14 days give particulars of individuals who understood the words complained to bear the meanings alleged.

By their amended statement of claim the plaintiffs claimed damages for injurious falsehoods, slander and libel in respect of a statement by Mr Nedas on or before September 21, 1976, that "the Stephane Grappelli concert had been cancelled because Stephane Grappelli is very seriously ill in Paris" and might never tour again; that in consequence of the republication of the words to members of the public they were understood to mean by way of insuendo that the plaintiffs had given a reason for cancelling a concert at Milton Keynes on December 4, 1976, which they knew to be false; that on October 1, 1976, the Huddersfield Examiner announced that Mr Grappelli had been taken ill and had had to cancel all engagements including one in Huddersfield in December; and that in the issue of The Sunday Times for November 28, 1976, an advertisement aunounced that concerts were to be given by "the legendary Stephane Grappell! with the Diz Disley trio" at different places including St Albans on December 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, 1976, and that the plaintiffs gave the concerts were to be given by "the legendary Stephane Grappell! with the Diz Disley trio" at different places including St Albans on December 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, 1976, and that the plaintiffs.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that Mr Grappelli was a professional jezz violinist with an international reputation, and Mr Disley the leader of a trio accompanying him as part of his team. They had as managers and agents Derek Block (Holdings) Ltd. promoters, who employed Mr Ray Nedas.

About June, 1976, the defendants had purported to book concerts for Mr Grappelli in November and December at Milton bet and December at Milton bet and December at Milton make the statement defamatory.

A plaintiff pleading a legal innuendo must specify the person or persons to whom the words were published and the special

were published and the special circumstances known to that persons or persons. Fullam's case, page 555, and The Supreme Court Practice, 1979, page 291. The circumstances of the case did not justify a departure from the ordinary rules.

There should be leave to appeal, the appeal should be allowed and an order made striking out the claims in libel and slander.

Lord Justice Templeman agreed.

LORD JUSTICE DUNN, also agreeing, said that the novel point was the question of law whether when extrinsic facts were relied upon in support of an innuendo which arose after the publication of the original words not defama-

upon in support of an innuendo which arose after the publication of the original words not defamatory in their ordinary and natural meaning, they could have the defamatory meaning alleged in the innuendo. The registrar and judge held that they could.

It was alleged that the facts gave rise to an innuendo that the plaintiffs had given a reason for cautelling a concert which they knew to be false.

Two points were taken for the plaintiffs: (1) that at the time of the publication there was no slander because the extrinsic lack were not known to the publisher; (2) alternatively, the defamation claims should be struck out because the particular members of the public were not identified: see Dancan and Neill, Defamation (1978), page 37, citing Hough v London Express Newspapers Ltd. (1940) 2 KB 507, 513) and Consolidated Trust Co v Browns (1948) 49 SR (NSW) 86, 89.

The law was stated in Fullantic case, especially at pages 635-656. There might be exceptions to the general rule as stated by Lord About June, 1976, the defendants had purported to book concerts for Mr Grappelli in November and December at Milton Keynes. Ashton-under-Lyne and other places. Mr Grappelli said that the agents had acted without authority: that it had been said on their behalf that the Milton Keynes concert had been cancelled because he was seriously iii in Paris; and that that was an entirely false statement known to be false in order to get them out of the engagement. That could give rise to a cause of action for injurious falsehood.

The plaintiffs also alleged that the statement was defamatory of them, libel or slander. It was not general rule as stated by Lord Justice Scarman, but the present case was a much more limited publication to a more limited number of publishers.

Publication was an essential part of the cause of action and once there was publication the cause of action was complete. There was no room for the principle that the cause of action was somehow or other inchoste. Solicitors: Ingledew, Brown, Bennison & Garrett; Marsh, Regan.

Probing Home Office immigrants records

Regina v Patel ·

Regina v Patel
Home Office records relating to
an alleged illegal immigrant did
not prove themselves and had to
be proved by an officer responsible for their compilation and
custody, the Court of Appeal held
when allowing an appeal against
convictions for assisting illegal
entry into the United Kingdom.
The court quashed five convictions of Abdul Hamid Ibrahim
Patel, aged 29, at Preston Crown
Court (Judge Openshaw). He had
been semenced to four years
imprisonment.
MR JUSTICE BRISTOW (sitting

the statement was defamatory of them, libel or slander. It was not defamatory as it stood. It was said that it became actionable because thereafter at the halls which had been booked people selephoned in to know why the concerts had been cancelled when they had seen from The Sunday Times on November 28 that Mr Grappelli was appearing at other halls.

Mr Grappelli said that when

Mr Grappelli said that when people saw the information in The Sunday Times they would read an innuendo and would say to them-

imprisonment.

MR JUSTICE BRISTOW (sitting with Lord Justice Shaw and Mr Justice Hodgson) said that the prosecution called the chief immigration officer at Manchester Airport to prove that a named man was an illegal immigrant. His evidence was that he examined Home Office records, which

showed that the man was not entitled to a certificate of registration in the United Kingdon and was an illegal immigrant.

Those Home Office records were hearsay, just as were the commercial records in Myers w DPP ([1965] AC 1901). They could not speak for themselves and were speak for themselves and were not within the classes of documents which were allowed to do so since the Criminal Evidence Act, 1965.

Act, 1965.

An officer responsible for their compilation and custody should have been called to give evidence that the method of compilation and custody was such that if the man's name was not there he had to be an illegal immigrant. It was not suggested that the immigration officer was such an officer. The judge was wrong in law to admit the evidence about the state of the records.

Appeals to single judge

Rules of the Supreme Court have been amended to enable appeals by case stated in the types of proceedings mentioned in the order to be heard by a single judge and only by a Divisional Court of the Family Division if the court so

Family Division if the court so directs.

A Practice Direction, issued by the President, states: "The rules require that all relevant papers be lodged in the Principal Registry of the Family Division, but there is no requirement in the rules that the single judge must be a single

judge sitting in London. Accord judge sitting in London. Accordingly, any party wishing the appeal to be heard and determined by a single judge outside London should apply to the President for a direction to this effect. The application should be made by letter addressed to the clerk of the rules. Where such a direction is given, the clerk of the rules will inform the appellant of the relevant divorce town and will refer the names to the listing relevant divorce town and will refer the papers to the listing officer of the appropriate circuit office for a date of hearing to be fixed and notified to the appel-

Registrar may extend time In re a Debtor 138/80

In the present case the Affi-davit was filed after the expiry

of the seven-day period apprepriate under rule 138 (as amended) but before the expiry of the 10-day period before an act of bankrupicy was committed under section I(1)(g) of the Act. The debtor had asked that the affidavit be admitted as a valid claim although it was filed two days out of time.

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Air fare case angers Singapore chamber found

Miri, Malaysia, Jan 28.—The world's largest known cave chamber has been discovered in From David Watts Bornen. It is about 16 times the size of a football field and was found in the Mulu National Park in the east Malaysian state of relations with Singapore. Sarawak, 150 miles east of Miri.

The chamber was about 1,100 yds long 1,600 yds wide and 280 yds high and was located about 1.2 miles from the cave's main entrance, Mr Andrew Eavis, leader of the Royal Geographical Society expedition, said today.—Reuter.

Everest failure Katmandu, Jan 28.-A severe snowstorm has forced a Japanese mountainerring team to abandon its attempt to climb

Singapore, Jan 28 A domestic Australian dispute over the refusal of the Government to permit discount-ing of air fares has soured

Today Mr Geoffrey Price, the Australian High Commissioner in Singapore, was called into the Foreign Ministry to hear complaints about the alleged harassment of Singapore Airlines, and its passengers in Australia.

resulted from the prosecution in Australia of Singapore Air-

believes the airline was singled our for prosecution, but this was denied by Mr Price last week. Since then there have been reports from Australia that Singapore Airlines passenters have been prosecuted.

Singapore Airlines passenters with a series of advertisements in Australian tickets closely scrutinized. At least one passenger is reported to have been made to pay the difference between the bargain price at which he bought the ticket and the full price.

Last August the Australian Government warned airlines that if they continued to sell The inter-government dis-pute, the latest in a series of discount tickets they would be public clashes over trade, has putting themselves and their agencies at risk. Singapore Airlines seems to

lines for allegedly contravening Australian law by selling discount airline tickets.

The Singapore Government Singapore Arines seems to have been the main victim of the government campaign; One Australian newspaper recently named several forcign airlines

Singapore Airlines retaliated yesterday with a series of advertisements in Australian newspapers reassuring customers that their tickets were valid.

The Singapore Government in its statement today said it did not want to comment on the icgality of the summonses, but said: "In the light of persistent reports and increasing evidence that Singapore Airlines (SIA) is being singled out for investigation and ks innocent passengers harassed, the Singapore Government is deeply concerned and is making strong representations to the Australian Government."

In the present case the Affirment of Debtor (138/80)

Lord Justice Ormrod, sitting with Lord Justice Reeve in the Court of Appeal, said in a judgment of the Court that a registrar in bank-ruptcy had a discretionary power under section 109(4) of the Bank-ruptcy Act. 1914, to extend the time for allowing a debtor to file an affidavit relating to a counter-claim, set-off or cross-demand against his creditor: rule 137(b). The statement to the counter-claim, set-off or cross-demand against his creditor: rule 137(b). The statement to the counter-claim, set-off or cross-demand against his creditor: rule 137(b). The statement to the counter-claim, set-off or cross-demand against his creditor: rule 137(b). The statement to the counter-claim, set-off or cross-demand against his creditor: rule 137(b). The statement to the counter-claim, set-off or cross-demand against his creditor: rule 137(b). The statement to the counter-claim, set-off or cross-demand against his creditor: rule 137(b). The statement to the counter-claim, set-off or cross-demand against his creditor: rule 137(b) and will are for allowing a debtor to file time for allowing a debtor to file time for allowing a debtor to file time for allowing a debtor to file and file time for allowing a debtor to file time for allowing a debtor to file and file time for allowing a debtor to file and file time for allowing a debtor to file and file time for allowing a debtor to file and file time for allowing a debtor to file tim concerned and is making strong representations to the Australian Government."

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PARLIAMENT, January 28, 1981

Review of leave arrangements for special hospital patients

State for Social Services if his re-view of leave arrangements for special hospital patients had been

Mr Patrick Jenkin, in a written reply, said Ronald Sailes was conricted in May 1980 of the murder of a young girl while he was on leave from Broadmoor Hospital and following his conviction, I asked for urgent consideration to be given to what lessons could be learnt from this case.

The review of arrangements for sending patients on leave, which was not confined to Broadmoor was not confined to Broadmoor but covered the four special hospitals in England, was carried out by officials of my Department and the Home Office in consultation with staff at Broadmoor and the other special hospitals. I accept the review team's conclusions

As well as looking closely at the arrangements made for Ronald Sailes's leave, the review team col-Sailes's leave, the review team collected information about the use of leave for other patients. Their report concludes that, while no leave from a special bospital. It is already the representation of the sail of the sail

again, some lessons can be learnt for the future. The review team have appended to their report a set of guidelines on the main steps to be taken when a patient

The guidelines cover consulta-on within and outside the hospital about the proposed leave, the passing of information to relevant agencies and individuals, the selection of a suitable hostel for a particular patient, and the

The team have suggested that these guidelines should be made available to the special hospitals for their immediate use, and that they should then be reviewed after a period of time in the light of comments from the hospitals and their experience of using guidelines.

One particular question considered in the review was whether the police should always be

restrictions set out in Section 65 of the Mental Health Act 1959) is sent on leave. Is sent on leave.

The review team have recommended that the police should also be norified of leave arrangements, unless the responsible medical officer is satisfied that there are special circumstances which make this luappropriate, for patients who, though not now restricted, have previously been subject to restrictions (as Sailes had) and for patients who, though never subject to restrictions, have been convicted of a serious sexual or violent offence.

There will be very few, if any, of these because a patient with such a conviction will almost cer-With other unrestricted patients

the police should not normally be notified unless the responsible medical officer is satisfied that there are special reasons for doing

I shall be arranging for the report and appendices to be sent to the special hospitals as the team recommend and will be considering how their conclusions can best be made known to other



Centenary celebration: Mr George Thomas, Speaker of the House of Commons meets the chairman and some past chairmen of the Parliamentary Press Gallery who gathered at the House to mark the gallery's centenary year.

Safety by rail: not a passenger killed

Provisional results showed that in the Newcastle divisional manager years, not a single rail passenger was killed in train accidents. Mr Kenneth Clarke, Under Secretary for Transport, said during ques-

Mr Edward Leadbitter (Hartle-pool, Lab) had asked for a state-ment on safety standards perfor-mance in British Rallways opera-

mance in British Raiways operations within the context of the
investment programme and the
current financial provisions.
Mr Clarke (Rusheliffe, C): Provisional results show that in 1980,
for the third time in five years, not
a single passenger was killed in
train accident.

a stage passenger was affect in a train accident.

The incidence of potentially serious accidents was the lowest ever recorded. This is a fine achievement and I congratulate all con-Mr Leadbitter: The nature of my question referred to safety in rela-

rion to the investment programme and the expansion of the pro-

of BR, addressing northern MPs indicated the desperate need for more investment to cover up the backlog of work on track and equipment. The general secretaries of Asief and the NUR have

has stressed the importance be attaches to investment in the rail way. We have maintained invest-ment ceilings at their present levels despite the economic crisis.

frack renewal had been taken by isfactory high level of safety.

Mr Gordon Bagier (Sunderland, South, Lab): The condition of some of the track is very much in arrears and there is a need for finance to replace and repair. Mr Clarke: We are quite satisfied that within the renewal resource which are realistically attainable it Sir Peter Parker has expressed will be possible to maintain rail the gravest concern and yesterday stock to the standard we all desire.

Britain's trade with Spain increasing in spite of dispute over Gibraltar

House of Lords of the British-Spanish Agreement it could become a serious issue in the current negotiations between Spain and the EEC Commission, Lord Bethell (C) said during a

debate on Gibraltar. debate on Gibraltar.

He said it could make it even more difficult, for Britain to support Spain's application for entry to the Community. This was at a time when Britain was perhaps the most enthusiastic EEC member pressing for Spain's accession. pressing for Spain's accession.

The agreement signed in April, 1980, was as much in the interests of Spain as the United Kingdom, the Atlantic Alliance and the EEC.

Since then there had been no progress and restrictions still existed which prevented people of Gibraltar from communicating with their relatives and friends across the border with Spain.

Lord Goronwy-Roberts (Lab) for the Opposition, said he did not regard Gibraltar and Spanish accession to the EEC as being linked.

While we wish to do everything While we wish to do everything to smooth the entry of Spain into the Community (he said) we cannot envisage even the possibility of our agreeing to a constitutional change in the status of Gibraltar without the full and free acquiestrate of the property of the control of the cence of the people of that state. Lord Gladwyn (L) said that if Spain joined the EEC, and there was every reason to suppose it would, the whole future of Gibraltar, this hot potato between Britain and the Spanish Government, must be considered from the European

Office

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Lord Boyd-Carpenter (C) said no British Government could hand over 25,000 loyal Gibraltarians to any foreign or other regime which they themselves were not prepared willingly to accept.

Lord Greenwood of Rossendale (Lab) said Lord Carrington and Sir Ian Gilmour were to some extent the prisoners of policy evolved by previous administrations. In the circumstances, they did well in the Lisbon talks, but they should plan no concessions. All they needed to do was to say clearly and repeatedly that Britain

was there and would stay there until the people of Gibraltar asked her to leave. Lord Selsdon (C) said the greates

Lord Seisoon (C) said the greatest, service to Gibraltar would be to help it to develop and build economic independence. The removal of the blockade and the opening of the frontier would perhaps be the greatest single thing to benefit Gibraltar's economy.

Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said the growth of the Cibraltar economy, quite apart from developments on the social and political sides, demonstrated the barreness of the policies of restricting the country economi-cally and politically.

Under the Lisbon agreement anything could be discussed in the anything could be discussed in the negotiations, but the preamble stated that the British Government would never enter loto negotia-tions under which the people of Gibraltar would pass under the sovereignty of another state against freely and democratically expressed wishes. Nothing could be leaver than that. clearer than that.

clearer than that.

The main bold-up in recent months had been over the clarification of the agreement. The Lord Privy Seal (Sir lan Gilmour) visited Madrid earlier this month. British trade with Spain had been increasing rapidly and exports totalled fl.300m last year, an increase of more than 19 per cent on the previous year. The two countries had much in common and many shared interests.

At Madrid the commitment of At Madrid the commitment of both Governments to the Lisbon agreement was reaffirmed and Sir lan Gilmour stressed the hope that it might be implemented without further delay, making the point that this was as much in the interests of Spain, as Britain and Gibraltar.

Although they had run into difficulties with implementation of the

culties with implementation of the agreement, it was not dead and there had been no breakdown. Britain was ready to implement it in the terms they signed it. The agreement should be implemented long before Spanish accession to long before Spanish accession to the EEC.

The debate concluded

Bringing citizenship and right of abode closer together

The Government was doing nothing new in suggesting that the didzenship laws should give a better idea of where people belonged, Mr. William Whitelaw, Home Secretary, said in moving the second reading of the British Nationality 2011

Mr Whitelaw (Penrith and the Border, C) said that it had been common ground for many years that the present nationality law was ont-of-date and needed re-placing placing.

The basic principle on which the

The basic principle on which the previous and present Governments had proceeded was that in the Labour Government's green paper which said that "there must be a more meaningful citizenship for those who have close links with the United Kingdom". It was easy to state that principle, but, as Governments of both parties knew, it was far more difficult to put it into practice.

Citizenship was inevitably a sensitive matter about which people felt strongly. They were naturally concerned about changes which they felt could affect them in important ways.

important ways. It was understandable that ih such a climate, fears and anxieties.

such a climate, fears and anxieties, sometimes irrational, would be aroused. Where there was a case for making changes to the Bill to alley such fears, that could be considered as the legislation progressed. In many cases, the fears which had been expressed were wholly misplaced.

The main reason why it was wholly misplaced.

The main reason why it was necessary to replace existing law was simply because the citizenship created by the British Nationality Act 1948 no longer gave any clear indication of who had the right to enter the United Kingdom. Citizenship and the right of abode, which ought to be related, had over the vers

be related, had over the years parted company with each other. One could be a citizen of the United Kingdom and colonies and not have the right of abode in the United Kingdom. Conversely, one could have the right of abode in this country without being a citizen of trees.

citizen of it.

Holders of the present citizenship might not manuturally be encouraged to believe, despite the immigration laws to the contrary. that they had a right of entry to We are doing nothing new (he continued) in suggesting that our citizenship should give a better idea of where people actually

be cinzenship of the British dependent territories and British overseas citizenship. That did not mean that for practical purposes the position of any of those who would have been British overseas citizens under the green paper proposals would be altered.

It was claimed that Clause 1 (Acquisition by birth or adoption) was racially discriminatory. He did not understand the basis for that claim.

The clause said that a child born here should be a British citizen at birth only if one of his parents was a British citizen or was settled here:

The provision took account of the increasing numbers of children born to visitors, students and

born to visitors, students and others who were here only tem-porarily. It would also cover children of illegal entrauts and

children of illegal entrauts and overstayers. A person's racial origin was not relevant.

The clause introduced much the same system which operated in most other countries in Europe. The Government's proposal was more generous, since a child could be born a British clitzen not only if one of his parents was such a citizen bur also if one of his parents was such a ritizen bur also if one of his parents was settled here.

The present law enabled citizens by usturalization or registration by naturalization or registration to transmit citizenship overseas in the same way as citizens by birth. The Bill changed that. It provided in effect that British citizens by

na ensect that Bridsh Cidzens by naturalization or registration would not generally be able to transmit cidzenship to children born abroad. They would be equated with citizens by descent. The provision was not racially discriminatory. Anyone who was a British citizen by descent would also be unable to transmit, even also be unable to transmit, even though he might be of United Kingdom aucestry. Indeed, if resident in a Commonwealth country, he would be unable to transmit at present. All the Bill was doing was to put citizens by registration or naturalization on the same footing. the same footing...

The same exception they must make for those in Crown service or with business connexions, would also apply to them.

The Government's position was reasonable. It had consistently been the aim of successive governments since well into the last century, to ensure that naturaliza-tion was not being granted to people who had no intention of living in the country.

Council was an example.

Citizenship could be transmit-ted by registration overseas where the mother or father were citizens It seemed right that a person and working overseas in jobs with who acquired citizenship by a close United Kingdom connex-

Bill condemned as racist and as

a move to control immigration

overseas, should not automatically overseas, should not automatically be able to pass on that citizenship. The Bill provided, however, for registration of a child who had lived in Britain for three years with parents, and where both conserved. He did not see how a suggestion

of discrimination against women could seriously be made. The Bill preserves for a transitional period of two years (he said) the entitlement of noncitizen wives to be registered. Otherwise, the Bill provided for equality of treatment in almost every area. Most important, however, was the right of women as well as men to transmit British citizenship. It was an important

towards sex equality. Mr Hattersley, the Opposition Spokesman, who had made the criticism, was apparently referring to proposals for acquisition of citizenship by spouses. He apparently called them sexually discriminatory but accepted that husbands and wives were treated

significant new advance

This is so (he said). How it can be said that a provision which treats husbands and wives alike is discriminatory against women, I find impossible to comprehend. No provision deprived people living in this country of their civil rights, nor was there any intention to use the Bill in that way. To suggest that the Bill should also cover civic rights and obligations was self-evidently unrealistic.

realistic.

It was unfair to criticize the Government for doing what had always been done and treat nationality as a self-contained area calling for its own separate legislation. The Labour Government's green paper had not dealt with such privileges.

The Bill provided generally for

The Bill provided generally for children born abroad in the first generation to become citizens by scent if one parent was a citizen birth. A child would be a by birth. A child would be a British citizen if one parent was a British citizen, though nor by birth, and was in Crown service or service designated as closely

Kingdom firms with overseas branches. These provisions would replace the present arrangements for consular registration and would apply to births in the Common-wealth, too.

A husband or wife of a British citizen could apply for naturaliza-tion after three years' residence but for other people the period

would be five years. At present a wife, but not a husband, had en-titlement to acquire citizenship The basic preliminary requirements for naturalization were five acter, knowledge of the language and an intention to live here or be employed in Crown service or some other United Kingdom based

employment.

Some people argued that the criteria for naturalization should be more specific. They often used the word "objective" and felt there should be a right of appeal against refusal. But the green paper and the White Paper set out overful arguments against out powerful arguments against peal rights here.

The arguments against an appeal system remained compelling. Such a system would certainly be expen-sive in terms of public service

Furthermore, because it would mean a system of objective tests, it was difficult to see how the existing criteria for citizenship could continue to operate.

The Bill corrected an anomaly.

At present, if a woman who was a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies had a child overseas

and Colomes had a child overseas and that child was stateless, it had an entitlement to registration as a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies. A side effect of acquisition of citizenship in this way was to give the child the right of abode in the United Kingdom even if the mother did not have it.

That was clearly illogical, so the That was clearly illogical, so the

Bill provided that such children would acquire the same status as their mothers whether this be citizenship or citizenship The Bill provided for a compo-site citizenship covering all the ment was aware of the strength of feeling in Hongkong on the need to maintain the ties between that territory and the United Kingdom.

Sir Paul Bryan (Howden, C) said that the introduction of the status of citizenship of British dependent territories had been done largely for the reassurance of Hongkong but had not succeeded. The claims of those who had served the Crown

in overseas dependent territories

m overseas dependent territories should not be overlooked. He suggested that the passports of Hongkong citizens should bear the words "British (Hongkong) citizens".

citizens ".
Mr David Steel, Leader of the Liberal Party, (Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles, L) said he and his colleagues considered the Bill was thoroughly bad and they would oppose it at all stages.

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It was the latest in a long line of rather shoddy measures which were reducing the basic rights and

discriminating against the ethnic

minority in the country. It was no answer for some Conservative MPs to say it was not racist because occasionally white people were caught in the same unfair discrim-

ratory net. The Bill was racist in effect and

those discriminated against would

those discriminated against would in practice be overwhelmingly from the ethnic communities.

The Liberals believed there should be a positive assertion on what nationality and cirizenship were all about and the guiding principle of any new statute should be that which preserved, and where possible, enhanced the security of the freedom of the

'Latest in long line of

rather shoddy measures'

which the Government attached great importance.

He understood the feelings of some of the dependencies who felt that their particular situation was special. The Government bad taken with great seriousness the approaches made to it by Gibraltat.

It was obviously important that

Gibraltar.

It was obviously important that the Gibraltar House of Assembly had unanimously passed a motion asking the Government to reconsider so as to categorize them reconsider so as to categorize them as British citizens. The position of the Falkland Islands also commanded a great deal of sympachy. Nevertheless, it remained right that the citizenship of the dependent territories should apply in a uniform way throughout those territories. Unimaginable confusion would result if this were not so. He wanted to stress, however, that the Bill in po way attered the position as regards the United Kingdom's moral and constitutional responsibilities for the territories in question. Nor did it in any way affect the special position of Gibraltar as part of the European Community.

or community.

He could assure the Falkland Islanders that they could depend on the most sympachetic consideration of their position.

Apart from those who wanted their special relationship with the

their special relationship with the United Kingdom emphasized in the Bill, the provisions of the Bill for dependent territories were, as he understood it, broadly acceptable

He hoped that by outlining the main provisions of the Bill he would have demonstrated that, understandable as they were, there were no real grounds for some of the fears which had been

some of the fears which had been expressed.

I appeal to all those (he said), including representatives of the Churches who have expressed such fears, to consider further what I have said.

I am most concerned to remove the basis for the existing misunderstandings and am anxions that people should not be alarmed unnecessarily. I emphasize yet again that the Bill will not adversely affect the position ander the immigration law of anyone who is lawfully settled in the United Kingdom. The Bill provided the comprehensive and logical overhaul of citizenship legislation that had so long been required and which it had long been the duty of the Government to introduce.

deprived of citizenship he already enjoyed unless he was given some other citizenship more appropriate to his needs.

Mr Edward Gardner (South Fylde

C) said that those who tried to

introduce race into a debate on nationality were producing a dan-gerous mixture. They were like people prepared to risk pouring petrol into an oil stove. There was likely to be an explosion.

One reason for the Bill was that

there were so few in this country and born here who could answer the simple question: "What is your nationality?"

The British Nationality Act of

1948 had produced the most absurd anomalies. It was brought in at a time when the British Empire was

It was clear that they must have

breaking up.

wen, C) said that it was not sensible to make new citizenship all over the world for countries which varied in size and organization. There could be no loyalty to an amorphous body. There could be loyalty to Hongkong and to Antigua, but nobody in Hongkong would feel they belonged to the Pitcairn Islands.

Mr Alexander Lyon (York, Lab) said that he was convinced that they must not in this Bill make the mistake of 1948 and 1968 of giving an assurance to people and ratting an assurance to people and ratting on it when the assurance came to

A time bomb

the surface

Kingdom and colonies.

Mr Enoch Powell (South Down, Off UU) said that by a disastrous error it was decided in 1948 to lump hundreds of people within the dominions under one title

sense than to create a citizenship

to which no reality, no actuality, corresponded.

The Bill as it stood would not

fronting the country. It had re-taized the ragbag principle which had landed Britain with citizenship of the United Kingdom and

They should have faced the

reality of the dependent overseas treritories and, however difficult it might be, endowed them with a citizenship of their own which would at least have a definite meaning in relation to each of the

The Bill did not bring together status on the one hand and rights and duties on the other.

and duties on the other.

Was it acceptable that persons who had the right of residence in this country, who had acquired and were exercising that right perfectly peaceably and properly, thereby became qualified to create in their offsoring in this country British nadonality?

Mr Alebtr McQuartie (East Aberdeenshire, C), chairman of the British Chraltar Group, said the passing of this Bill would give the Government or any future administration the right to withdraw concessions and place restrictions.

territories.

beneath

Mr Ivor Stanbrook (Bromley, Orp-ington, C) said they were delibera-tely conferring on 1,500,000 people a citizenship they did not need because they already had their

own.
Mr Dydney Bidwell .. (Ealing, Southall, Lab) said the Bill should be changed especially to protect the interests of the children born in this country and their patrial rights. Mr John Stokes (Halesowen and Stourbridge, C) said it had been necessary to bring the Bill forward as a result of 25 years of mass immigration into these islands.

The ordinary Englishman still clung obstinately to his Englishmess and to the old and known. ways. He knew only too well that if immigration continued at anything like the present raie the indigenous population would in time be sublipopulation wome in mated by aliens:

He regarded the Bill as a poor and feeble effort against this background. The Home Secretary seemed terrified of any pressure the immigrant loobies. The

a new nationality law and this was the only government that had the guts to do something about it. Any government that had the courage from the immigrant lobbies. The police hesitated to enforce the law to touch this hypersensitive political and social nerve of nationality was bound to get opposition. against immigrants in the way they would against ordinary English The Bill was needed to provide a would against ordinary English people. Mr Stanley Thorne (Preston, South, Lab) said it seemed highly and separate nationality but was also required to provide at was also required to provide the foundation for immigration rules later on. At the moment the confusion between Britain's nationality laws and their summigration rules was greater than in any other Country, east or west.

likely under the terms of this Bill that there would be a series of investigative harassments of the black people in Britain. In many ways the Bil lwas a recipe for increased racial conflict.

Human cattle in

Surely British Rail could wash the trains, Mr Arthur Lewis (Newham, North-West Lab) said to the

Foreign lorries

Another "blitz" campaign to test the safety of lorries coming into Britain was announced by Mr Nor-man Fowler, Secretary of State for Transport, during questions. He said this would be in addition to the "blitz" testing of lorries at ports last October

He was answering Mr Arthur

Bill rejected

C) was refused leave, by 168 votes to 67, to bring in a Bill to require the Secretary of State for Education and Science, to carry out a review of the transfer of the whole cost of public education to a cen-tral fund fluanced by income-related contributions and to report to Parliament on the results of that and on the effects of proceedings further to introduce an education voucher scheme.

Off-licences Bill rejected

(Lab) as a move by one section of the licensed trade against another. The impetus for the Bill came from the licensed victuallers, the people who had the public houses, and was a move against the off-licence

Lord Inglewood (C), moving the second reading, said the Bill was designed to tidy up a small corner in the jungle of licensing laws.

The Bill would prevent a layout where the shopper could take from the shelves everything he needed, including alcoholic liquor. Lord Byers (L) said he opposed the Bill. It was a thinly disguised

The Licensing Amendment (Off-Licences) Bill which was negatived owners, managers and tenants to-was condemned by Lord Jacques recover some of their off-licence

business which they had lost. Lord Anckland (C) said it was not an anti-drink Bill or an anti-superensed victuallers, the people an anti-drink Bill or an anti-supermarkets bill. It was a Bill to try to ensure that licensing regulations applied in reasonable condition to particularly self-service all outlets selfing alcoholic refresh-

Lord Beistead, Under Secretary, Home Office, said the Governmen was always willing to consider any constructive proposals which might help reduce the levels of alcohol misuse. But it was not convinced the Bill would contribute signif-icantly to a reduction in drunkenness and alcoholism among young people and women. House adjourned, 9.42 pm.

concerned fundamental rights of British cirizenship. In some cases, long established rights were being diminished or removed: It is our view (he said) and the view of most commentators that this is not a nationality Bill but an

immigration control Bill.

He did not wish to suggest a new nationality Act was not needed.
Much had changed since 1948, not

They needed a positive statement of nationality from which then a statement of immigration could flow without any discrimination between the races and the sexes. The Bill discriminated in both particulars. It was an immigration control Bill dressed up to look like a nationality Bill.

Since the Bill was based on the

Since the sui was based on the Government's prejudices concerning entry and settlement it inevitably discriminated against the black population in the Commonwealth and the black population already in the United Kingdom. (Conservative cries of "Rubbish".)

The Bill was racist. There were in his constituency examples of two families living in neighbouring houses, both of them made up of British citizens, both of them theoretically enjoying equal rights under the law. They would not mind after this Bill that they had identical rights identical rights.

A child born to one of those families if the mother happened to be on holiday in Spain, would be automatically British. A child born to another family; if the mother happens to be with her mother in

Islamabad, would not be automatically British.

These were two families living side by side theoretically equal under the law whose rights were changed by this Bill. The difference between the two categories are larger to make them subject to people who believed to nationality. Nationality Bill which was free from racial bias. If by enunciating that as clearly as they could any appeal concerning the rights of Labour would lose some votes, nationality. Discussing its failure

Islamabad, would not be automati-

while a child born to the other would only be British by courtesy of the Home Secretary. It was no good the Home Secre-

tary praching homilies about equal treatment of the ethnic minorities, if the Government then passed emislation which in effect as a result of its outcome put the ethnic minorides in disadvantaged condi The Opposition was absolved of

any parentage of the Bill because the Government was doing things that the previous Government diametrically would not have done.

Clause 1 stated that a person should be a British critzen if at the should be a strikes closen at the time of birth his father or mother was a British citizen or settled in the United Kingdom. This did not include people who the courts might decide were not ordinarily vertically here. esident here. A substantial number of children

who in future would be born into the United Kingdom; would for the first time in history be denied the absolute and automatic right to British citizenship. The Labour green paper was specific in its support of automatic citizeuship for every child born here. An article in The Times, Clearly dictated by some luckless PRO shorthand speed, actually said that the change which would deny some children British citizenship was made because of the large number of people travelling, with the greater likelihood of people being born here while in transit born here while in transit. The Opposition believed that a proper nationality Bill would contain a precise definition of what nationality means. It would ensurine those conditions in law and

make them subject to proper appeal from people who believed they were entitled to nationality but had not been granted it.

This Bill made no provision for

Mr Roy Hattersley, chief Opposition spokesman on Home Affairs, way which disadvamaged the black (Birmingham, Sparkbrook, Lab) community. Said they would oppose the Bill at Wift the example he had given, all stages. The Bill should be considered by the whole House for it be British in all circumstances immigration regulations was the immigration regulations was the way in which it was impossible for a wife or husband to join a wife or husband in this country. It took two or three years to get an interview in the country of origin and another two years for a judgment. The Opposition would like to see a main class of British citizen, which should embrace everyone born or adopted in the United Kingdom, everyone born or adopted coverseas whose parents were United Kingdom citizens and wives and husbands of British citizens.

rens.

Those who the Government would make citizens of a dependent territory would have a generalized citizenship, and that was wrong. Labour wanned to see individual citizenship gramed for the individual dependencies.

The category of British overseas citizen was not so much a status as a substitute. Many in the Common-wealth countries had the rights of permanent settlement and the Gov-ernment should take the initiative in arranging discussions with Com-monwealth countries to clarify and regularize their starus.

After those discussions, many of those citizens would have acquired, he hoped, full citizenship of their resident countries and those who remained should be offered British The course he had suggested would extend British citizenship, h

would have a consequent effect on immigration. It would not have a sustantial effect even in theory. In practice the additional immigration would be negligible, but some people would seek to represent it as a virtual open door policy. What he had said provided nothing of the sort. It was simply a

dirty trains

North-West, Lab) said to t Secretary of State for Transport Why are the tains so dirty? (he went on.) They used to be washed once. If the human cattle had various associations working for them, there would be an outcry. Mr Norman Fowler (Sutton Coldfield, C): I will pass on what he says to the chairman of British Rail.

Lewis (Newham, North-West Lab) who said that British transport ser-vices had alleged that some lorries entering the country could not pass an MOT test and had many faults.

Sir Brandon Rhys Williams (Dens-

ington and Chelsea, Kensington,

Peers want English language simplified: Anglo-Saxon neglected since 1066

Language Commission on the lines of the Law Commission, Lord Simon of Glaisdale (C), said when he opened a short debate on the benefits that would flow from the simplification of the English language. simplification of the English lan-

guage.

He said that in many respects
English was a superb language to
learn but it presented one great difficulty—the discrepancy be-tween spelling and pronounciation. One easy reform would be to adopt the American spelling white it dif-fered from British English. Lord Strabolg! (Lab) said just as important as the difference be-tween spelling and pronounciation was the structure of sentences and

There was concern at the modern tendency of using more words than necessary and the general sloppiness of sentence structure. Was this the fault of the way English grammar was taught in sioppiness of sentence structure.
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English grammar was taught in

no question that it there was to be a world language it would be English, but whether it would be English English or American English was uncertain. He was prejudiced in favour of English

which crept into legislation and debates. They were all guilty of misusing the beautiful English lau-guage. There needed to be more simplification of legislation. Lord Kings Norton (Ind) said that to develop brevity and preciseness was more important than to reform spelling. They should start rather than commence, leave and not depart and spit rather than expec-

back to 1065. Which meant nothing in the con-Viscount Barrington (L) said it texts in which it was used. did not think there was a child roday who could parse or analyse. They could not tell a preposition

was not as easy to simplify the language as people thought. As a language went out into the world it was important that it should not only remain a language, but remain English.

Lord Davies of Leek (Lab) said he did not think there was a child roday who could parse or analyse. Oct 4." Wednesday, October 4." winch they would only accept as "Wednesday oct 4." Wednesday, October 4." Wednes

Despite flourishing his cheque book and offering to pay for the words, he was told that this was not house style.

Things had improved more recently, but he had summoned his family doctor and instructed him that in future all members of the

only during the month of May. (Laughter.) (Laughter.)

Laudy Young, Minister of State for Education and Science, replying to the debate, said the history of spelling reform had not been encouraging because of the proliferation of convending schemes. Another problem was that of the wide variety of speech patterns from one part of the commy to another, and in different parts of the English speaking world.

The Secretary of State for Edu-

The Secretary of State for Edu-cation and Science (Mr Mark Carisle) was not hostile to the idea of language reform, but this was not something that could be imposed. If they were seriously thinking of

ported by the public as well as by teachers, parents and governors in The idea of a national language commission was intriguing, but it was doubtful if agreement on a programme of reform would be notible.

House of Commons Today at 0.30: Debates of Public Accounts Committee House of Lords
Today at 3 Social Security (Contributions) Bill, report and furd reading.
Trees (Replanting and Replacement)
Bill, Pet Animals Art 1251 (Amendment) Bill, and Representation of the
People Bill, second readings.

Parliamentary notices

family were to breathe their last reform, it would have to be sup

schools? Lord Airedale (L) said there was no question that if there was to be

en speech, said that one area where the cry for simplification was by no means new was that of legislation.
The answer was that Parliament legislated on many subjects, of which the fixing of compensation

or compulsory purchase was a good example where 90 per cent of the complexity of language which found its way into an Act of Parliament was inherent in the legisla-English.

The Americans, although they economized a little in their spelling, undid this good work by always preferring the longer word to the shorter.

An Englishmen left his flat by good example where 90 per cent of the complexity of language which found its way into an Act of Parliament was inherent in the legislative process fixelf.

Lord Mancroft (C) said government and Parliament wert response.

Anglo-Saxon sinct 1066 had been neglected. When new words had been needed they had built on Norman-French and Latin. The result of the Battle of Hastings dealt a blow to brevity from which the English language had never

Lord Fraser of Kilmorack (C) said meaningless adjectives were thrown around a great deal. The word "diabolical" was one trample. In the last week, pretty well everything on television had been

Rugby Union

Rugby Correspondent

Football

Enfield are lucratively vindicated but cruelly rewarded

Footbali Correspondent Enfield 0 Bar

Barnsley 3 Threatened rather than pro-mised a fifth round rie at Middlesbrough, Enfield departed the FA Cup at White Hart Lane last night with their club's coffers much improved but their spirits doused by having seen three shots bit bar or post while Barusley, of the third division, recovered from an ominous start.

mind division, recovered from an ominous start.

The fact that will go into the records to outlive the memory of an unidy replay will be the size of the crowd, 35,244. Many of them missed the promising efforts that the last of the non-league survivors offered in the early minutes. This vast audience also saw Enfield make fine attempts to fight back towards the end. Enfield's decision to play at the first division ground was cruelly rewarded on the field but lucratively vindicated by the crowd they attracted. During the first half an announcer appealed for people to make more room for the "thousands" outside, and no doubt if the stadium had not been people to make mote tools the "thousands" outside, and no doubt if the stadium had not been in the midst of rebuilding work more would have been there to see the Isthmian League team set off with two goal attempts

Forming their attacks confidently at the back where Jennings was particularly enterprising, Buffeld kept Oliver and Burton, two large men with some skilfed touches, well provided. After 11 minutes Oliver's strong header from Howell's free kick was efficiently pushed over the bar by New and a minute fater he tried again and came even closer when heading on to the trossber after Bishop ferried ou king's corner.

King's corner.

After surviving their nervous beginning in which the full backs

were a danger to their own goal, Barnsley began to grow a little

with another shot on to the post and surely one goal would have been enough to cause this uncertain Barnsley defence to concede more. As it was, Barnsley turned the score to flattering proportions when Aylott headed in from Downes in injury time.

ENFIELD: J. Jacobs: R. Wade (sub. L. Holmes). J. Jacobs: R. Wade (sub. L. Holmes). J. Jacobs: R. Sarrett, R. Howell, N. Ashford, J. Bishop, P. Burina, S. Oliver, S. King. Barnsley: M. New, J. Jayre, P. Chambers, R. Glavin, J. Banks (sub. C. Riley). M. McCarthy, J. Evans, D. Parter. T. Aylott, M. Lester, R. Downes.

Referee: A. Guint (Burgess Hill).

while not actually causing the En-field defence many serious prob-lems. That they scored with their best, flowing attack of the first half was a fair reward if harsh on the depth of Enfield's endeavour. Cultivating the attack in their own half through Joyce and Glavin, Barnsley made space on the right. Glavin backheeled a the right. Glavin backheeled a pass to Downes who centred and Ayloit's looping header floated tantalizingly over the reach of Jacobs and under the bar. For the remaining 15 minutes of the half Barnsley enjoyed a margin of control that they falled to maintain early in the second when for minutes on end Enfield kept them pressed in their own half.

By committing themselves to By committing themselves to recovery. Enfield capitulated to Barnsley's first breakaway of the second half, on the hour. Lester second nam, on the nour. Lester made the defence pay for not organizing themselves more effectively, so that Glavin made a menacing sprint into the penalty area and sent his good shot inside. area and sent his good shot inside, the far post. The romance was fading and although they had seen Ashford thump the ball into the body of New, Barren strike the hase of the post with a splendid long free kick, and forced several almost panic-stricken clearances. Enfleid could not break through. King extended their misfortune with another shot on to the post and surely one soal would have



The story of Enfield's night as another attack comes to grief. Oliver's header is saved.

For the Jacks of St James it is the giants of St James'

By David Hands
Exeter C 3 Leicester C 1
Leicester City, if not exactly
giants of the first division, met a
West Country Jack in the shape of
Tony Kellow at St James Park last
night in their FA Cup fourth-round
replay. The Exeter striker scored
his third treble of the season to
earn the third division club a
fifth-round tie at another St.
James'—Mewcastle
ground—and in the process take
undisputed lead of the League's
goal-scorerers with 25 this season.
There was no doubt which teem By David Hands goal-scorerers with 25 this season.

There was no doubt which team deserved to progress. Exerer moved with more purpose and showed more skill and commitment. The only Leicester player to emerge with any credit was O'Neill, although he and May ware booked in the second ball.

Exeter's biggest crowd—at 15,628 over twice as big as their previous best—got full value. Not only Kellow kept Leicester on tenterhooks: Peter Rogers pulled their defence to pieces and forbes came forward to join the fun.

It was of a piece with Leicester's fortunes this season that their goal was helped by a mistake from the otherwise competent Exeter University student, Main, standing in for Bond, the regular goalkeeper, who damaged fingers in the tie at Leicester.

With 10 minutes gove, the Lei-cester defence was found wanning. Pullar's cross from the right found Values with time and space to

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Man who wins

VERNONS POOLS LIVERPOOL

into the far corner. There was little response from the visitors; the Exeter cause found support with the ease in which they dispossessed defenders and from the neglectful way in which Leicester sometimes conceded possession. sometimes conceded possession. Exeter carried their lead into the second half and Wallington had to work hard twice to save from Pearson. "Tigers are better than this", one frustrated Leicester Supporter averted thinking of his city's more successful making. cester supporter averted timising of his city's more successful rugby

A few minutes later he was on his feet as Main failed to hold Young's shot and Melrose drove home the rebound. It had seemed unbelievable that Leicester would equalize, such was their infirmity in front of goal.

In front of goal.

Exeter evidently did not beheve it: May brought down Peter Rogers in the box and Kellow rifted the penalty into the top left hand corner. Ten minutes later a corner from the left filtered through three defenders and Kellow again rapped it in.

EXETER CITY: Main. M. Rogers. P. Hatch. R. Forder. L. Roberts. P. Brogers. L. Kellow. J. Dewe. D. Puller. L. Kollow. J. Dewe. D. Puller. L. Electrica P. Rogers. L. Kellow. J. Dewe. D. Puller. L. Electrica Per Rogers. L. Electrica Per LEICESTER CITY: M. Willington, T. Williams, P. J. Park. A. Peake, (Sub. M. Gooden), L. May, J. O'Neill P. Byrne, J. MacDonald A. Young, I. Wilson, N. MacDonald, Roferee: B. Stovens, (Stonehouse).

Today's fixtures REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Com-ined Services v Gillingham (at Garri-on around, Charlem, 2.0) shoot carefully past Wallington second round; 5t Mary's v KCH;

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FOR MATCHES PLAYED

Come back Bristol City, all is five times forgiven

Bristol City 5 Carlisle United 0 After looking the worse of two poor teams during the first half, an incredibly transformed Bristol City eventually ran out easy winners over Carlisle United In their F.A. Cup fourth round replay at Ashton Gate last night. They will now meet Nottingham Forest at the City Ground

Once Mabbutt had scored his first goal, only two minutes after the interval City at last came alive and gave some indication that they might have a future in both the F.A. Cup and the second division. Until then, the game had been easily forgetable. There were long periods of aimless play which hardly raised a murmur from the meaners crowd. If it from the meagre crowd. If it had not said so on the pro-gramme, one would never have believed the teams were contest-There was none of the tradi-tional cup tie fervour, and the teams played just as they must have all reason. It was easy to see how they have worked them-selves down to the lower reaches

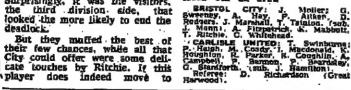
of the second and third divisions. Surprisingly, it was the visitors, the third division side, that looked the more likely to end the deadlers. But they muffed the best of their few chances, while all that City could offer were some deli-

Sunderland in a few days' time he will be sorely missed. He had a hand, or rather a head, and two feet in three of City's goals, and if this was his last game in a City shirt it was ope he will remember.

However, it was Mabbutt who opened the floodgates and after his header from a Whitehead cross, he scored again 11 minutes later from another right wing move. This time, it was Sweeney who projected the perfect centre and Mabbutt had time to chest down the ball and carefully shoot past Swinburne.

Ritchie's first goal came from the penalty spot, after McDonald handled when under pressure from the now rampant Mabbutt. Four natures later, the match was as good as over when Ritchie, completely unmarked, turned in Whitehead's corner with his head. The fifth goal came from the substitute Mann, who replaced Tainton and was also unmarked when he scored from close range. Carifishe nearly had a consolation goal in the final minute when Bannon appeared to have dribbled round the prostrate Moller. Somehow, the Swedish goalkeeper stuck out an arm.

ERISTOL CITY J. Moller: G.



Sunderland feel cheated by United's good fortune

By Iain Mackenzle Sunderland 2

Sunderland 2

Manchester United 0

Sunderland took two goals and two valuable points against Manchester United at Roker Park last night but most of the 32,000 crowd felt slightly cheated. This was vintage Sunderland in every way except one, the art of goal scoring. United were outclassed and should have lost by half a dozen. dozen.

Bailey, the United goalkeeper, had no chance with the goal that came midway through the opening half. Bolton, who had been prominent in defence, took the ball up the left wing, best a man, and lobbed into the middle, Chisholm trapped it nestly, rounded.

half. Bolton, who had been prominent in defence, took the ball up the left wing, beat a man, and lobbed into the middle, Chisholm trapped it neatly, rounded McQueen and hit a shot past Bailey's right hand.

Shortly before the interval United again came close to scoring. With the Roker defence in a dither, Thomas crossed from the left and Macari flicked the ball on and wide of Turner and a post. But Sanderland could have been two up at the break Shortly before half time there was an extraordinary situation when Jordan brought down Rowell in There is a commins.

In the last minute Sunderland got the goal they richly deserved. Botthe proches went the middle and went past three United men before being brought down by the goalkeeper, Bailey argued with the prealty decision and had his name taken for doing so. Rowell did rather better than Elliont before him.

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Sunderland's penalty area. The referee ignored the incident, but after conferring with a linesman awarded a penalty. McQueen spoke out of turn, and was lectured. Four minutes passed from the moment of Rowell's injury to the penalty kick being taken by Elliott. Upset by the delay, he shot weakly at the goalkeeper. Sunderland had no thoughts of letting up in the second half and Cummins was particularly dangerous, weaving his way through a tangled United defence time and again.

SUNDERLAND: C. Torner: S. Whitworth, J. Bolton, R. Hindmarch, S. EHolt, G. Rovell, K. Arnoll, L. Rowyer, J. Hawacy, G. Crisholm, S. Commindensess United G. Bellevi, J. Nichol, A. Abbiston, M. Durbury, G. McOneon, M. Buchan, S. Coppell, G. Birtles, J. Jordan, L. Macarl, M. Thomas, Referee: A. Challings (Date: M. Buchan, S. Coppell, Referee: A. Challings (Date: M. Buchan, S. Referee: A. Challings (Date: M. Buchan, M. Buchan, M. Buchan, M. Buchan, S. Coppell, Referee: A. Challings (Date: M. Buchan, M. Bu

Nicholas told he must stay

Peter Nicholas, the Welsh inter-Peter Nicholas, the Welsh interuational midfield player, has
joined the growing list of dissatisfied players at troubled Crystal
Palace by asking new manager,
Darlo Gradi, for a transfer. But
Mr Gradi, whose immediate task
is to regain stability at the south
London club after its internal disruption at board and managerial
level, does not want Nicholas to
go—at least for the present.

The firm striker Clive Allen The SIm striker, Clive Allen, has also repeated his wish to leave Selburst Park and Mr Gradi has

agreed to let him go as soon as Palace get the right offer. Mr Gradi said: "Peter has told me he wants to go, but I have asked him to stay on for a short period. Clive has also asked to move and I have told him he can have his wish." I have told him he can have ms wish."

Allen had already been put on the transfer list during the 55-day reign of Malcolm Allison along with the Republic of Ireland international, Jerry Murphy, and strikers, Vince Hilaire and Ian Walsh. Mr Gradi has also agreed to release David Fry, a goalkeeper.

Yesterday's results

FA Cup, fourth round replays

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Jonathau Smith, the 26-year-old Devon player from Exeter, recently ranked third in Britain. Is fit again after a long-standing back injury and takes part in his first full international as doubles partner to Andrew Jarrett against Borisov and Konstantine Pugaev. Downhill double underlines Megève, Jan 28.—Marie-Thérès Nadig, the World Cup leader, and Doris de Agostini underlined the Swiss monopoly of this year's downhill races with a double in the women's World Cup event here today. This time it was Miss de Agostini, aged 22, who often has to play aecond fiddle to the former Olympic champion, who took the honours, 0.50 sec ahead of her countrywoman and 0.66 sec ahead of the third-placed Torill Fjeldstad, of Norway.

Miss de Agostini, whose frame is hardly classic downhill material, won this season at Scrunz on January 12; she also finished second behind Miss Nadig in the last downhill at Crans Montana. There was little to choose between the leaders over the highly technical first balt of the course and it was Miss de Agostini who captured speed over the final section to make up 0.70 secs on her arch rival, When she saw the intermediary times go up, she exclaimed prematurely: "I've had enough of being second." Her despair quickly turned to joy as the final times were shown.

LEADING PLACINGS: 1. D. de Agostini (Switzerland). Juntal 121.70 E. T. Nadig (Switzerland). 121.70 E. T. P. Fieldstad (Nerway). 121.60 d. H. R. Fienders (Switzerland). 121.70 f. E. Pipple (WG). 122.01. E. British placing: M. Langquir. 128.28. Swiss monopoly Bonsov and Monstamme Pugaev.
Paul Hutchins, the British team
manager, will be auxious to see
how Smith fares at this level of
competition for the Devon player
figures in his plans for the much
tougher Davis Cup tie against Italy
at Brighton in March. Lewis keeps
his place in the side but is now
relevanted to play second simples relegated to play second singles. He opens the contest against Alexander Zverev. Britain are currently third in their group of four nations. Hun-gary have a worse record but Britain's match with the Soviet Britain's match with the survival linion, who are undefeated, is linion, who are undefeated, is Union, who are undefeated, is vital. If Hungary win away to the group leaders, Sweden todight, Britain could find themselves struggling to avoid relegation when the play-offs are contested

Collision in pool

Christoff the pool Christoff the pool Christoff the pool medal winner from Australia, broke her nose last night when she collided with a local swimmer during the New Zealand Games, an X-ray examination confirmed today. Miss Ford, aged '18, and the Hympic 800 metres champion, was warming up when the accident occurred.

Scots draft in Loughborough steal

Leslie to show with exit line replace his colleague By Peter West

By David Hands
Exefer U 3 Loughborough U 4
There was a certain irony in
Loughborough's victory yesterday.
Where they could have opened a
strable gap during the opening
moments, they fluffed their lines
—and their passes—and had to
wait until the closing minutes before ensuring a place in the semifinal round of the UAU knockout
competition, against Swansea. David Leslie, the Gala flank forward, replaces his club colleague, Gordon Dickson, and Bill Cuthbertson (Kilmarnock) comes in at lock for David Gray in the Scotland team to play Wales at Murrayfield on Saturday week. The side otherwise will be the one who lost 9—16 to France in Paris in the first international of the season.

final round of the UAU knockout competition, against Swansea,
Their win, by a try to a dropped 20st, came on their first visit to the St Luke's College ground, though hardly the first encounter between students from the two colleges. Exeter, runners up in the UAU final of the past two years, can count themselves unlucky. They recovered from the indignity of losing two strikes against the head in the first 10 minutes and settled into a rhythm, particularly behind the scrumonage of the season.

Three players could not be considered by the selectors because of injuries. One of these is Tom Smith, the big, athletic Gala lock, who is about to resume playing after hurting a knee in a national trial on January 3. Another is lan Milne, the weighty tighthead prop of Heriat's, who withdrew with a muscle injury from the French encounter. particularly behind the scrummage where Warkins, the Newport player, exerted a soothing, influence under considerable pressure. Their backs, too, showed enough ability to pull the Longhborough three-onasters out of profition but encounter.

David Johnston, the centre who was capped four times last season, shrugged off his hamstring twinges to play for Watsonlans last weekend, but the selectors cannot be wholly satisfied about his match hardness. So Keith Robertson (Melrose), whose first eight caps were gained on a wing, gets a second-opportunity to partner Jim Renwick in the centre. ability to pull the Loughborough three-quarters out of position, but not quite enough to defeat either the cover or the unpredictable bounce of the ball. At the setpleces, however, Exerct were always to suffer. Their lineout men warmed to their task as the match progressed and the back row, at ruck and maul, moved from merely killing the ball to a more creative role.

The advantage that Loughborough enjoyed at forward was unfortunately negated by their

Dickson has had a fine season Dickson has had a fine season but his valuable contribution to Scotland's lineout in Paris—an area not generally productive—has not saved his place. The selectors, looking for a better balance at flank forward, must expect that Leslie, no doubt cast to play off the tail of the lineout on Welsh throws, will improve their ball-winning capacity in all respects,

Leslie, who plays No 8 for his club, won the first of his 12 caps in that position in 1975, and was a regular member of the team for two seasons until dogsed by injuries, which restricted him to but two more investigations.

juries, which restricted him to but two more internationals—against New Zealand in 1978 and England last year.

It will be a second cap for Cuthbertson, who played against Ireland last season and may now be expected to exert a brawny influence at ruck and maul. Whether he and Tomes can produce a better lineout return at No 2 and No 4 remains to be seen. Neither seems a natural jumper in the middle. Scotland might make frequent use of a reduced lineout.

For the second match running there are no Anglo-Scots in a team who will be led by Andy Irvine, the full back, for the third time as he wins his thirtythird time as he wins his thirty-ninth cap.

France have made one change for their visit to Dublin on the same day. Guy Laporte (Graul-het) wins a first cap at stand-off half, where he is preferred to Alain Caussade, who replaced Ber-nard ivies in the game against Scotland. Laporte is reported to be an astate footballer and a fine tactical kicker.

FRANCET S. Gabernet: S. Blanco. FRANCET S. Gabernet; S. Blanco, R. Bortrame, D. Codorniou. L. Parrio: G. Laivarie. P. Berbizier. P. Dospilal. P. Drivana, R. Paparen-borde. D. Revollier, J.-F. Inbernon, J.-P. Rivea (captain), M. Carpontier, J.-L. Johnel.

predictability behind. Wright, the scrum-half, made too much use of the blind-side when it was already clear that his three-quarters and full back were a potent danger in their own right.

Loughborough were quicker into Loughborough were quicker into their stride and the feeling persisted that they should have had a couple of tries early on. The admirable Barnard, a Liverpool player during the vacation, created overlaps twice, but the final pass went down. Boyd was a step away from the try line but a score remained elusive.

Weighter pured Loughborough

remained elusive.

Watkins pushed Longhborough back and punished their neglect when he dropped a tidy goal from a ruck. It was the only score of the first half and looked likely to be the only one of the game until, with four minutes to go. Wright worked the blind side once more after his forwards had held a set scrummage and pushed.

Boyd was there and fed the

Boyd was there and fed the intelligent wing, Macdonald, who dived through Drewett's tackle for the try in the corner. It was a decisive score this time, but Loughborough's machinery needs a little extra oil if they are to make the final. make the final.

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Durham earn decisive win but badly miss captain

By Richard Streeton Durham 29 Nottingham 7 Dorham 29

For the seventh time in nine seasons Durham reached the UAU rugby championship's semi-final round when their strong, mature pack earned a decisive win at Beeston yesterday by three goals, a penalty goal and two tries to a penalty and a try. A young Notingham side kept their head above water in the first half but afterwards they were always struggling against opponents who won regular possession.

In spite of Durham's consistent Nottingham 7

In spite of Durbam's consistent In spite of Duram's consistent record in the tournament it was 1959 when they last won the title and they by no means dominated this match to the extent they should have done in the soft conditions. Durham looked a well-practice team at times but purposefulness and tactical inventiveness. ness were often missing. They badly missed the generalship of their captain and scrum half, Dewey, who went off in the first minute with an ankle injury. minute with an ankle injury.

Woodhead, the replacement, threw out a long pass but attempted little else. The captaincy was taken on by Lillington, whose own work in the tight and lineouts seemed to be distracted. Batten and Chesworth ran with imagination among the backs: Henderson and. Ellison were stalwarts in the forwards. wards.
The match was 20 minutes old when Durbam went into a lead

they never lost. Henderson broke from the back of a lineout, and Gibson and Halsev interpassed before Gibson scored a try. A two-handed catch by Ellison from another lineout brought the next try, with Batten sending in Bailey to score and Chesworth converting.

By half-time Nortingham had answered with a remarkable solo effort by the left winger, George. From inside his own 10-metre line he wriggled past saveral opposing players, seemingly looking to set up a ruck, but finding himself in the clear, he sprinted over 50 metres to score.

A penalty by Chesworth metres to score.

A penalty by Chesworth extended the Durham lead and three more tries underlined the dominance now established. Henderson scored the first from a setpiece move near the line; Batten tan through by himself and successfully chased a kick shead for the second; and Haisey scored the third after a lone charge by Allison. Chesworth converted two of these, Just before the end Watson succeeded with his first penalty kick in four attempts.

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Woodhead!: G. Alcnek. J. Johnson. S.
Henderson. G. Gibson. P. Lillington.
B. Crawshaw. J. Effisor. J. Anderson.
Referee. B. Head-Rapson. (Notis.)
Lincs and Derby!

Bristol are out in the

By Alan Gibson
Bristol Univ 6 Manchester Univ 21
The bleak expanse of the Coombe Dingle ground had little to warm chilly Bristolians yesterday, when the University went out of the UAW competition. Manchester won by two goals, a dropped goal and two penalty goals, to two penalty goals, it was not quite so conclusive as it sounds, but Manchester were the faster. stronger, more experienced By Alan Gibson faster, stronger, more experienced and better organized side. Their cover in defence constantly cut down promising Bristol movements, and their possession from forward play was always swifter and surger. and surer.

and surer.

They were ahead in a few minutes, with a try by their No 3, Emeruwa, who went over on the blind side in a formidable dash after a maul near the line. Emeruwa is a tall, athletic man, a Zamblan international, and whoever is drawn against Manchester in the semi-final will need to watch him. He also scored the second try, near the end, in much the same way.

Both these tries were converted by Parker, who has played for Pontypool, and was another who had an excellent game. Parker bud an excellent game. Parker also kicked two penaky goals, and showed bimself a strong-run-ning scrum-half. The stand-or half, Fullorook, dropped a nest

half, Fullorook, dropped a near goal.

Bristol's penaltics were kicked by Taylor, who went close with several others: none more than that just after half-time, which hit a post. The rebound gave Bristol a chance of a rry, which they did not quite achieve, although a veteran and impartial Lianelli man, standing uear the action, thought they had. The score was only 12—6 to Manchester at that time, and the disappointment had its effect on chester at that time, and the disappointment had its effect on Bristol's play, particularly as it was shortly followed by Full-brook's dropped goal.

From then on there was not doubt of the result, and although Bristol made another attack, and were near the line continuously for several minures. Manchester kept covering and tackling, and ultimately cleared. Emerura had the first.

the last word, as he had had the first.

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Large surprise

Steven Large went to hospital for a check-up yesterday and discovered he had played two rughy matches with a broken neck. An X-ray examination revealed that two bones had snapped and Large in plaster from head to waist, will be out of action for the rest of the season. He said: "I just could not believe it when the docrors told me I had broken my neck. I just thought I had sprained my back."

Out-thought and out of cup Park carry too many guns of his grasp and Collins, following UWIST 3 up fast, made amends for his inying their discretion two minutes earlier by

By Peter Walker
Swansea Univ 16

If not exactly outplaying their opponents, Swansea University certainly out-thought and outpanded of Science and Technology, to so through to the semi-

final round yesterday.

UWIST began with deceptive promise. Their pack were notably stronger, winning good lineout possession and pushing their opponents back yards in the tight. An impetuous late tackle on their stand-off half, lenkins, by the open-side wing forward, Collins, on the 22 led to the referee awarding a penalty in the same position at the other end of the field. The full back, Shambler, made the most of such a gift.

A shrewd up-and-under by Swansea's scrum half, Lane—the fifth player to be tried in this position this season—put Shambler under great pressure uear his own line. Though he gathered safely enough, the ball was knocked out

Feaver returns

Britain's hopes

John Feaver, who was involved in the notorious Davis Cup row with Hie Nastase last summer which eurned the Romanian an 18-month ban from the competition, returns to Britain's depleted international tennis team for the crucial King's- Cup contest with the Soviet Union at Bournemouth routent.

Feaver, aged 28, from nearby Wimborne in Dorset, has just returned to Britain from abroad, and will be invaluable to a side which has won just one of their five matthes in this European indoor championship. He takes over from Richard Lewis as No 1 to play the top singles against the leading Russian, Vadim Borisov.

to rekindle

Tennis

tonight.

crashing over. Despite their overall disadvantage in the set-pieces Swamsea con-tinued to hold most of the terri-torial advantage, largely through the shifts! line bicking of West-

the skilful line kicking of Wyatt and their stand-off, Cusinion. Their second ity, in the Twenty-second minute came while they were defending inside their own 22. The ball bounced clear from a lineout, Jenkins missed his fly kick completely, the Swansea centre and captain Hopkins booted the ball way downfield and the pace of the wing. Harrison, took him clear to score. Wyatt kicked two penalties,

SWANSEA UNIVERSITY: M. Wyan;

T. Colins.

UWIST: A. Shambier: R. Lewis, M.
Jonos, L. Harries, S. Bravery; D. Jenkins, D. Mason; A. Bathie, H. White;
W. McConnell, A. Hewson; R. Brayshaw, P. Obradovic, B. Davies, P.
Anthony,
Referee: D. Bewan (Swansos).

SWANSEA UNIVERSITY: M. Wyatt.
D. Harrison, A. Daviss, G. Hopkins,
D. Coshion, A. Lune; J. Grice, M.
Roberts, G. Spuriock, A. Chambertain,
K. Thompson, N. Mason, S. Stephens.
T. Collins.

March 7.

The Army, led by a former Park player, Peter Warfield—an amiable turncoat so to speak—tackled splendidly, but gallantry usually means a despairing challenge by an individual. As a unit, the thin red line was easily cut down and that fact inspired Park to indulge in some elaborate ranning and massing. running and passing. Park were certainly a lively combination and the inclusion of a handful from the successful colts

court at Wembley this evening in

By Peter Marson

Rosslyn Park 33

Rosslyn Park, fielding some heavy guns of their own, outshone the services champions under floodlights at Roehampton last night and won convincingly by three goals, three tries and a penalty goal to a try. If the Army's selectors learned one thing it was penalty goat to a rry. If the Army's selectors learned one thing it was that their troops made too many mistakes. With but a single victory this year, against Oxford University, the Army would seem to have plenty to do before they take on the Royal Navy at Twickenham on March 7.

continued to get on the wrong side of the law and they were soon to lose the services of the admirable Griffiths, who suffered a bead injury at a rick and retired to the dressing room. Park pressed on and Hoolahan, Bate.

Squash rackets

Cousins confront each other again By Rex Bellamy Squash Rackets Correspondent Ferred his arrival in Europe, he never mind this would probably have been on Norman have many history have been on Norman have many have been nor

Gamai Awad, the best Egyptian, and Dean Williams, who would be the best Australian but for the remarkable span of Geoff Hunt's supremacy, are seeded to contest the final of the Guernsey. contest the final of the Guernsey, tournament to be played at St. Peter Port from today until Sunday. The International Squash Players' Association rank Awad minth and Williams twelfth. The 16-man draw also includes four men ranked between 19 and 29: Glen Brumby, Steven Bowditch, John le Lievre, and Abbas Kaoud. Brumby's presence is a re-

Brumby's presence is a re-minder that, had it not been for Australian commitments which de-Skiing .

The cousins have not played each other for two years because Husain has been coaching in Munich. As inniors they tended to play five-game matches won by Jahangir, who has since matured into such a formidable competitor that he could reach the final of the British open championship,

the semi-final round of the British under-23 championship. As it is, the pairings will be Jahangir Khan v Zahir Husain Khan (cousins from Pakistan) and the English No 1, Gawain Briars v Ross Norman, the New Zealand No 2.

never mind this one. Briars and Norman have met three times and although Norman leads 2—1, Briars best him last time out. Both looked sharp in the quarter-final round and there can be no confident forecast about the outcome of what should be a long match. It must be gratifying for the Squash Rackets Association than even without a sponsor, this in-augural championship has been a success. It is costing them about £5,000. "On the revenue committee we raised our eyebrows at the cost, but thought it would be a thoroughly good investment." David Wild, the tournament director, says.

All tickets for the semi-final and final rounds have been soid.

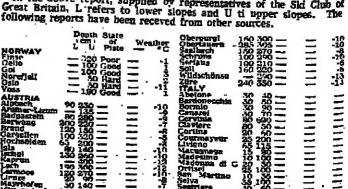
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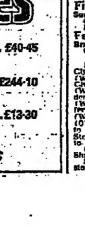


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or four runs in nunter chares before Chaltenham. And then we'll have to see how he is."

Rolls Rambler, another bunter-

Rolls Rambler, another hunterchaser was the choice of Thorne's
other son-in-law, Nick Henderson,
the Lambourn trainer. Henderson
rode Rolls Rambler to eight
victories before he took up training, Like Sparian Missile, Rolls
Rambler has achieved the tovered
double of winning the Cheltenham
and Liverpool Foxhunters and may
well be reasonably treated with
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Henderson also expressed him-

Henderson also expressed him-self as being well satisfied with the 10st 11th that Zongalero had

been set to carry. David Mon-tagu's 11-year-old has been given

a course of hunning since running disappointingly behind Narvak in the Welsh Grand National.

out in the England selectors will cold take close look at form of Downton

Cricket Correspondent St Vincent, Jan 28

From the main stand on the one of those nice old wooden conone of those nice old whoden con-structions which you see in the background of photographs of county tricket in the twenties and hirtus—there is a balmy view of the islands of the Grenadings which are incorporated with St Vincent, the nearest of them being Bequia and beyond that Mustique

Bequite and beyond that Mushque of royal fame.

The sea will be no more than 100 yards from where, at one end, the opening bowlers in the two matches England are to play here (against Windward Islands starting on Friday and the one-day interon Friday and the one-day inter-national against West Indies next Wednesday) will start their run. Holding, if he had his way, would such this tout his on the beach probably start his on the beach,
Of St Vincent's population of
110,000 more than one in ten are
expected to watch the acternational, which will be the biggest
officet match ever staged here.
Eggland, even as MCC, have not Eggland, even as MCC, have not be played on the island before, though the New Zenlanders did so in 1971 and the Indians in 1976—and Boycott called as a possenger on on the Queen Elizabeth 2 s few weeks ago, Much hard work has been done on the pitch, which looks good, although it is sure to be slow.

be slow.
To fit in Downton, Emburey, Gooch, Stevenson and Willis, who did not play at Pointe-à-Pierre, Botham, Boycott, Bairstow, Miller and Old stand down for the fourday game starting on Friday. Butcher will bat at No 3 and Willey at No 4, shead of Gower and Gatting, who were both among the runs last week. Wills will captain the side,

Transcript form behind the strongs will be interesting. Like Balestow he is here not so much because of any great flair for wickerkeeping but because, besides leeping wicker reasonably well, he can make useful runs. At Political Pierre, egainst the spinners Baustow had a difficult time of it, though it was his irrepressible keenness in chasing a ball which had run into a vacant space that led to the running out of Marshall and clinched the match for England. Bairstow has done well enough in England's recent one-day matches, in Australia last land. Bairstow has done well county in England's recent one-day matches, in Australia last summer, to be the more likely to play next Wednesday. For the purposes of the Shell Shield the Windwards and Lea-words join together to play as Combined Islands, Their most

shield the Windwards and Leaworlds join logether to play as
Combined Islands. Their most
famous players are Richards and
Roberts, both Leaward Islanders
from Antigua. Of the present
Combined side Irring Shillingford,
Winston Davis, Ignatius Cadette
and Linton John come from the
Windwards, which comprise
Grenada, St Lucia, Dominica and
St Vincent with the Grenadines.
Shillingford, the best known of
these, has played four times for
West Indies and made a Test century against Pakistan of Georgetown in 1977. His brother, Gravson, is now playing cricket in
Canada. Norbert Phillip, the
Dominican who plays for Essex,
though at home in Dominica has
been making himself hard to get;
he has not been chosen, having
priced himself out of it. Davis,
wing sheres the new ball for Combined Islands, has appeared for
Eunderland in the Durham League,
Lockhart Sebastian has also
played league cricket in England,
Next year, by the way, the
Leewards and Windwards ere to



Willis: captains England against Windward Islands.

Shell Shield. At present, as a Shell Shield. At present, as a combined force, they and Barbados are the Caribbean's strongest sides; that they hold the position is thanks mainly to Richards, who has started this Shell Shield season with two hundreds in his first two matches, and Roberts, who took an ominous 21 wickets against Trinidad and Jamaica.

ENGLAND XI: G. A. Gooch, B. C. Rose, R. D. Butcher, P. Willey, D. I. Gower, M. W. Catting, P. R. Downton, J. E. Emburey, C. R. Sievenson, G. B. Dilley, R. C. D. Willis (Explains).

Beard adorns Australia's new profile

Sydney, Jan 28
New Zealand's record in the preliminary matches of the one-day Beason and Hedges world series competition is distinguished. enough to promise a worthy final against Australia, which will be played over the best of five

The first will be played to-morrow here, where New Zealand beat Australia once and threatened to do so again in a rain-spoilt game. The second and third rounds will be played in Melbourne, currently not a favourite ground of the Australians and, if one side have not whitewashed the other by then, hostilities will the other by thee, hospitales will be resumed in Sydney next week.

The prize money pool is big. It carries Australian 551,000, of which the winners will take 532,000 and the losers half. The rest will be awarded to the out-standing player of the final series. Australia, who topped the feague table in the triangular com-petition, have discarded two

bushess they used in the pre-limitary matches, the opening bushan John Dyson and the all-rounder Shau Graf. Instead, they have called up Martin Kent, a powerful driver of the ball, who opens for Queensland, and Graems Beard, who can bowl in two styles and can hav as well

and can but as well.

Beard, who has a strong chance of making the touring side to England, has been picked specificulty with the slow Melbourne pitch in mind. Kent, who is a near-certainty for England, would be a useful batsman in the limited-overs game but, if he is to play in the final series, the selectors would rather have him make his first appearance in orthodox concitions than under floodlights, to which he is not accustomed. and can but as well. which he is not accustomed. Australia have the more lethal basmen and, more significantly, the more aggressive ettack, with three genuine tast bowlers who will be backed up by Max Walker. They should be favourites to win, but they are a weary side, with their minds half on winning the

one-day competition and half on an incomplete Test series with India. New Zealand, on the other

New Zealand, on the other hand, are a relaxed team. Their fortunes started to rise in the drawn third. Test match and in the limited-overs games that followed they have made the most of their limited resources. Furthermore, New Zealand have proved more resilient in critical situations, as they proved when beating Australia by one run in one of their three Sydney encounters. counters.

Convinced that they are a better side than two three-day de-feats in the Test series would in-dicate. New Zealand are beat on proving their point through the AUSTRALIA: From: G. E. Chappeir,
M. Wood, A. R. Border, M. F.
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G. Beard, B. Lilloo, R. M. Bogs,
S. Pascoe, M. H. N. Walter,
T. Pascoe, M. H. N. Walter,
T. G. Wright, B. A. Edgar, R.
E. Carey, IJ Smith, R. J. Hadlee,
L. Carris, M. Smodden, B. Metheche Motor rallying

Therier and partner lead by three minutes

Moute Carlo, Jan 28.—Jean-Luc Therier and Michel Vial of France, in their privately entered Porsche, held a lead of more than three minutes over the works Repault 5 Turbo of their compatriots Jean Turbo of their compatriots Jean Ragnord and Jean-Marz Andrie after the final special stage. Therier looked supremely confident and his outwardly battered, but exceptionally powerful red and white Porsche left most of the mountain roads free of show. Scatch times over four of the 18 special stages of the run enabled Therior to stay wall in control of Therier to stay well in control of the competition.

As dawn rose, Ragnotti had forged ahead of the Talbot Lotus of another all-French crew, Guy Frequelin and Jean Todt, who earlier had been engaged in a fascinating battle for overall second place.

In all, only 143 of the 200 crews which roared out of Monaco on Monday night, were still in the competition as leading Competitors completed the sixteenth of the 18-stage run. Among top of the 18. stage run. Among top teams to drop out were the group two entries from Fiat and Volkswagen. The all-Italian crew of Attilio Bettega and Maurizio Perissinor in the Fint Ritmo/Strada completed only five of the run's special stages, and Per Eklond and Ragnar Spjuth in the Golf GTI (a car in which the bearded Swedish driver shone so brightly in last year's competition) also falled to reach Mounco. The turning point of the rally

The turning point of the rally came yesterday morning when the flying Finn, Hannu Mikkola, who had dominated the classification run of the event, crashed into a bridge in his works Audi. Mikkola fought his way back into the top-10-standings in the revolutionary four-wheel-drive car which is making its first appearance in the world championship, but he lost all chance of scoring his first victory in the world's most famous rally when he broke down with steering problems shortly before midnight.

Mikkola, now well down the

midnight.

Mikkola, now well down the standings in thirty-fourth place, will continue in the event to gather competition experience for the new car. With Mikkola out of the running and with little or no snow for the Scandanavian drivers who thrive in such continues the leading cars were not

drivers who thrive in fuch conditions, the leading cars were not being severely tested.

LEADING PLACINGS: T. DITTORY OF THE TOWN OF THE T

Cavalry mount

By Roy McKelvie

The cavalry monopolised the Army rackets championships at Queen's Club. Only one of yesterday's eight quarter-finalists came from a line regiment and he. Alaistair Drew of the Royal Green Jackets, was heaten by David Reed-Felstead of the Blues and Royals. Today's semi-final round

Royals. Today's semi-final round matches are Mark Nicholls (the bolder) v Alex Finlayson and Christopher Braithwaite v Reed-

Felstead; a quarter consisting of a dragoon, a lancer, a hussar and

a dragoon, a lancer, a hussar and a horseguard. It was questionable which was the best game played of the four quarter-finals: the first between Hugo Akerman and Nicholls or the first between Glies de Lotbiniere and Braithwaite. Both were fast and exciting with the outcome in doubt and the result a probable influence on the rest of the match. Perhaps, Drew's first game against Reed-Felstead, who eventually wan by 15-15.

first game against Reed-Felstead, who eventually won by 15-15, 15-9, 15-7, 15-0, took the prize Reed-Felstead looked comfortably placed as he maintained a lead of a few points in the first game. Drew's strokes were cleaner and more in keeping with rackets, but Reed-Felstead's court covering was the quicker. At 8-11 Drew produced a heavily undercurt service from the forehand court, the spin of which foxed his opponent and took him to 13-11. Reed-Felstead replied with a similar service and reached game point, but a poor service cost him his hand and Drew won the next three points.

Ills BADO also brew woll her bear three points.

RESOLTS: Lt M. W. Nicholis beat 2nd Li. J. H. S. Akerman, 15—10, 15—17, 15—5; Capt. A. I. Finlayson begt Lt M. B. H. Evena, 15—13, 16—4, 15—5; Capt. D. M. Reed-Feisted best Major A. S. G. Drew. 15—16, 15—9, 15—7, 15—0; Capt. C. H. Sratihwalle host 2nd Lt. G. A. J. de Lochtliore, 17—14, 16—2, 15—5.

a charge at

Queen's Club

Rackets

-Snooker

-touch of an old master

By Sydney Friskin Fred Davis, aged 67, kept his traditional name alive in the world of snooker by hearing kirk Stevens of Canada 5—4 in the Stevens of Canada 5—4 in the first round of the Masters Championship, sponsored by Bersson and Hedges, at Wembley Conference Centre last evening. The match, which lasted nearly four hours, had a tremulous climax. Lavis winning with a break of 64.

With half a century of professional experience behind him, Davis, profited largely by skilful manoeuvring, tinged with touches of his old mastery. His policy was to commin his younger opponent and to a great extent he succeeded.

Yet every match has at least one moment of special laterest and this one came in the eighth frame. With the last four colours left, Sterens leading 49-32, Davis slotted in the brown but for once, with the blue favourably posinoned, he hurried his stroke and missed the shot which would have given him the frame because the

next two colours were favourably placed. Stevens himself missed the blue at the first attempt but sent it down on the next visit and following on with the pink, won So it was four frames all and Stevens, his confidence renewed, took what seemed like a firm grip

took what seemed like a firm grip on the deciding frame with a break of 45 to lead 59—4. Davis, however was by no means finished. With a twinkle in his eye he seized his chance to compile his match whoming break which ended on the pink and the long and weary hours that preceded it had been forgotten. He also had a break of 60 in the fifth frame when he shot into a 3—2 lead. when he shot into a 3-2 lead. In the second match on Tuesday night Dong Mountjoy the Welsh champion who was slightly in-disposed, beat Eddie Charlton 5-0 out the result was not a complete whitewash. The frame scores were 71-48, 70-56, 58-43, 81-39, 85-21, Charlton, ranked No 3 in the world, was below his best FIRST ROUND: F Davis (England) beat K. Stevens (Canada) 5-4 (Davis (Ins), 51-58, 87-57, 32-55, 11-89, 80-26, 28-64, 73-16, 35-64, 66-57, Boxing.

O Many SuDavis shows the US may consider Sibson better value than Minter

By Srikumar Sen Boxing Correspondent

Tony Sibson, Eritain's European middie-weight champion, who put up such a mature performance against a tough and clever Argentine, Norberto Cabrera, on Tuesday night, could earn a six-figure purse for the defence of his European title against the country's point title against the country's other outstanding middlaweight, Alan Minter, come September. The match would be a genuine climinator for the world title and the bert domestic fight for ears" Sam Burns, his manager, said yesterday.

But in a game where money But in a game where money talks louder than managers, one is reminded of the words of another Burns "The best laid schemes o' mice and men gang aft agiey". Minter, the other part of Mr Eurns's plans, however, has not confirmed that he goes along with them. He was at the Albert Hall to see Sibson and appeared impressed but as the senior middleweight he can be forgiven for thinking that his deeds will carry more weight with Marvin Hagler, the world champion.

The brutal facts are, however, that after his three-round defeat or wembley and the seventh round walk-out by Roberto Duranagainst Sugar Ray Leonard, the American public may feel that they were shortchanged and may not feel inclined to believe that the second meeting will end any

differently. Besides, Sibson could find favour with Americans sim-ply because there would be less danger of a stoppage on cuts. The Leicester man could well find himself in the ring with Hagler without having had to go through a bruising contest with Minter. a bruising contest with Minter.
Sibson caught the eye of the
world on Tuesday. As Mr Burns
said: "He gave the sort of disciplined performance that will
make a genoine world contender
very soon. He proved that a hard
and dangerous man can be reduced by good boxing tense. It
was a big fight for Sibson and
he showed a brilliant temperament as well as considerable
technical skill."

There is no doubt that when

There is no doubt that when Sibson went down from that per-fect right hand in the first round and picked himself up and dusted himself down and then started to give the Argentine a dusting, his stock moved several points up the WBC scale. He gave you the impression that at last Britain had a young boxer with capable hands and a head that will not be bursed.

be turned. So it would be in Minter's So it would be in Minter's interest to seek a meeting with Sibson as soon as possible and if he comes through unscathed to go for Hagler. While Minter ponders his options Sibson has little time to think. He will have one more contest before defending his European title against Saenz Gomez, of Spain, in April,

New challenge for Jacklin

After a three-year break Tony acklin, the former British Open hampion, is going to try his luck gain on the United States golf April. After a three-year break Tony

Jacklin, the former British Open
champion, is going to try his luck
again on the United States golf
circuit, Jacklin, aged 36, has been
granted special permission by the
United States Professional Golfers'
Association to play in three tournaments. He leaves on February
7, accompanied by his wife
Vivienne, and will play in the
Hawaiian Open, Los Angeles Open
and the Bay Hill Classic. He will

the Safari circuit in Africa,
before beginning his challenge in
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Olympic Games

IOC's president

wants amateur

status abolished

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The games must forget the word amateur and put it in the archives", Mr Samaranch, a former Spanish ambassador to

tormer Spanish ambassanor to Moscow, commented. "But the definition of 'professional' will be a major talking-point at the eleventh IOC congress in Baden-Baden next September", he edded.

Mr Samaranch declined to

drawn when asked if he would ores for a meeting with the United States president Reagan to help protect the 1984 Olympics

Hockey

Spencer lose but hold Rome, Jan 28.—The Olympic movement must forget the word "amateur" and open its doors to the world's best athletes, the new president of the International Olympic Committee, Juan Autonio Samaranch, said today, "The Olympic Games are now the major sports event in the world, and we must allow the best athletes to take part, excluding real pro-

their position

By Sydney Friskin
Spencer 2 Cambridge Univ 3
Cambridge University caused a slight setback to Spencer's hopes in the London Hockey League by heating them in an exciting match at Earlsfield yesterday. The result however did not after Spencer's third position in the table, although their percentage dropped from 80 to 75.

Rehncy scored both goals for Spencer, the first from a penalty stroke. The Cambridge goals came from Richard bodds the captain, who scored from a short corner, then a long one, and Diamond from open play. The score was 1—1 at balf time. Richmond took over fourth place Richmond took over fourth place from Guildford by beating London University 4—3 in an equally thril-ling match at Motspur Park. Lloyd and Eaton (2) scored for London; Girdwood, Priday. Dawbenny and Simkins for Richmond, who led 2—1 at half time.

West are caught near the finishing post
By Joyce Whitehead

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West 1 West nearly recorded their first win for two years yesterday on the Imperial Athletic Club ground in Bristol: For 52 minutes they held the lead but East equalized just before the final whistle. West were perhaps fortunate to score with the control of the in the twenty-first minute.

East kept pressing, and in
the second half were at last
rewarded in the sixty-eighth minute with 2 good goal by Sandra.

Roberts (Saffolk). twenty-first minute.

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urrows (Gloucostershire). R. Squires
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Racing

Everyone wants to get | Winter double should on Spartan Missile

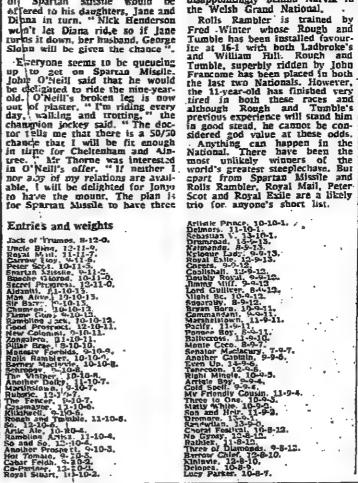
Ev Michael Seely

Sparten Missule was the popular choice of most of the professionals assembled at the Ladbrokes conference to announce the weights or the 1981 Sun Grand National yesterday. John Thorne's gallant winner of 18 hunter-chases has been allotted 11 st 4 lb. Whether his owner, breder and rider takes the mount at Aintree depends on his being able to shed enough

"My riding weight is 12.8 tt present," the Warwickshire far-mer said, "but I have every hope that I will be able to waste enough before April 4." The 54-year-old by Thorne said that in the event his being unsuccessful, the ride Spartan Missile would be offered to his daughters, Jane and Dinna in turn. "Nick Henderson win't let Diana ride so if Jane turns it down, her husband, George Slopn will be given the chance".

·Exeryone seems to be queueing Everyone seems to be queueing up to get on Spartan Missile. John O'heill said that he would be deligated to ride the mine-year-old. O'Neill's broken leg is now out of plaster. "I'm riding every day, walking and trotting," the champion jockey said. "The doctor tells me that there is a \$50/50 change that I will be fit enough in time for Cheltenham and Aintree." Mr Thorne was interested in O'Neill's offer. "If neither I nor a.pr of my relations are available, I will be delighted for Jongo to have the mount. The plan is for Spartan Missile to bave three

Entries and weights



be Huntingdon toast By Michael Seely

Fred Winter is expected to land
a double with Black Rod in first
division of the Offord Novices
Hurdle and with Major Swallow
in the Tote Novices Steeple Chase
at Huntingdon today. Major Swallow won in fine style at Chellenham in December, despite Paing
the second fence from home. He
beat Greenways by seven lengths,
but on his next appearance at
Newbury in the New Year-he unseated Ben De Haan at the
seventh fence in the race won by
Very Light, Granted a clear round
this afternoon, Major Swallow titles him to be the selection.

Tim Forster is expected to capture the three mile Wyton Handicap Steeplechase with Wher's Edge, who showed signs of better things to come when finishing a four-lengths second to Versailles Frince at Chepstow.

David Morley's horses have a sound record at the East Anglian course. Heluan, whose last appearance here was too bad to be true when he was pulled up after starting favourite for the race won by Mr Marsbridge, must be worth another chance. Previously Heluan had made a satisfactory seasonal reagnegrance at Newbury this afternoon, Major Swallow should be too good for Oakprime a winner at Sandown Park, and trained by David Nicholson whose seasonal reappearance at Newbury in November when finishing third trained by David Nicholson whose Gloucestershire stable is riding the crest of a wave at present.

Michael Dickinson's Happy Hector won well at Catterick Bridge last Friday but may not be capable of conceding 201b to Black Rod, who finished third to High Old Time at Ascot last time out. Before that, Black Rod had been caught and beaten a neck by his stable companion, Blake, at Kempbehind Bitter End.

behind Bitter End.

At Taunton Nick Henderson has good prospects of winning two of the three divisions of the New Year Novices Steeplechase with Secretary General and Lawn Meet. Sccretary General chased Very Light home at Newbury and Lawn Meet's running when second to Prince's Risk at Fakenham should be good enough.

Newcastle comes under fire from professionals

Newcastie's Gosforth Park race-course, which holds an unenviable reputation for abandoned meet-ings, was criticizedby racing professionals yesterday. Colin Tinkler, a jockey, was critical of the drainage system; "It is the worst ground I have ridden on and thes conditions are bad all over", he explained.

over", he explained.

Mick Lambert, travelling head lad for the formidable Dickinson ctable, was even more adamant:
"It is very bad ground out there
and I feel that until the problem is
sorted out fixtures for the meeting should be switched to other
tracks."

Ken Oliver, the trainer, took a different line, however, saying: "I can remember times at this course when I went out and swept the top of the snow off the herdles, and there was still racking. We are all getting a bit soft these days."

days."

During the last 13 years a total of 54 fixtures have been lost at the Tyneside course. The clerk of the course, Freddy Newton, explained that Newtastle had many more meetings than its coutemporaries during the winter months.

Writers Edge, T. Forsier, B-10-6 Jackson a Minder Johnnie, M. Oliver, 7-10-5 Jackson a Minder Johnnie, M. Oliver, 7-10-5 Rolly Mency Mass (C) J. Gifford, 9-10-5 Rolly Mency Mass (C) J. Gifford, 9-10-5 Rolly Mellis, P. Cundell, 6-10-3 ... Scudamore Descendent, D. Morley, 5-10-0 B. R. Daviet

2 2/00 Linarro, F. Colon, 10-10-0 ... Miss king J 6 0-0pp Blue Fire, Mrs S. Roberta, 13-10-0 Rowtil 8 2ptb Cross, Mrs J. Franch, B-10-0 ... Mrs Fronch 7-1 Money Mad, 4-1 Tom Sawyer, 9-2 Waters Edge, 5-1 Cayle, 5-1 Clog Danco, B-1 Descendant, 10-1 Prairie een, 16-1 others.

4.15 OFFORD HURDLE (Div II.: novices: £690

By Michael Seely 1.45 Black Rod. 2.15 Helman. 2.45 Glisseen. 3.15 Major Swallow. 3.45 Water's Edge. 4.15 Bannoron.

3.15 TOTE CHASE (Novices: £1,525: 2!m)

The testing conditions did not stop Chris Pimlott riding an 18/1 double on Highway Dual and Impus, Harry Bell, the Hawick trainer, secured Highway Dual privately in Ireland and the winner races in the colours of an Edinburgh businessman, Harry Thyne. Impus and Pimlott led close close home in a desperate finish to land the Coot Handicap Steeple chase by a game half a length from Fortina's Express.

Peter Scudamore in only his third sesson riding under rules and challenging for the jockey's championship, gained the 100th success of his career when riding Bridge Ash to victory in the Cement City, Handicap Steeplechase at Wolverhampton,

Only 14 months ago 22-year-old Scudamore—whose fother, Michael won the 1959 Grand National on Oxo—turned professional. He missed the climax of last season as a result of breaking a leg in a freak accident at Haydock Park.

STATE OF GOING (official): Huningdon: Good, Taunton: Good to boil. Tolno-row: Doncaster: Good, Ayr: Good to Boil.

Huntingdon programme

1.45 OFFORD: HURDLE (Div I: novices: £690:

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Wells 207 100-4 Marshed Night, M. Ryan, 6-10-13 Peace 208 200-2 Captale Serm, J. Scollan, 12-10-1 Scallan 209 -000 Marshedth, Nim P. Siy, 7-20-0 Bestud 210 1000 Royal Statt, J. Panyari, 8-10-0 Mr Panyari 7-3 Helman, 3-1 Hopedul Answer, 4-1 Marshal Night, 6-1 Captain Errs. 8-1 Dondy Man, 14-1 others. 2.45 SAWTRY HURDLE (Selling: £449: 2m 200yd)

p000 Denil Few, NJ. Callaghan, S-21-10 ... Ely
Miss Sherwood, P. Buller, 5-11-10 ... Buller
0000 Radmorciffe, A. Moore, S-11-10 ... Perrell
0103 Sweet Mark Sew (B), J. Jenkins, S-11-10
00-00 Whistler's imagic (B), J. Hardy, S-11-10
Johnson

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Ob Schenor, P. Stilingham. 4-11-0 . Connor
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Odd Strestock, P. Bissill, 4-11-0 . Dulton
Occident Strestock, R. Harting, 4-11-0 . Miss
Strestock, R. Harting, 4-11-0 . Miss
I Sweet Mark Boy. 4-1 Miss Kuwait, 5-1 Glissorn,
1 Sweet Mark Boy. 4-1 image 20-1 Golden Break;
Burstock, 14-1 Deul Feu, 16-1 sthere.

Taunton programme 12.30 NEW YEAR CHASE (Div I: Novices:

3pot Genoral Escalos (D7), L. Kennard. 7-11-7 Olap Rs Echo (CD), D. Scott, 9-12-9 .. De Bara 4 -0122 Secretary General, N. Henderson, 5-11-9 Smith Eccles Davy's Lyric, M. Kelly: 8-10-2 Mr. Price Handy Mark, J. Priday, 7-12-2 Mr. Kackalae, F. Winder, 7-11-2 Mr. Major Murphy, R. (Froat, 7-11-2 Mr. Private Treaty, G. Croed, 9-11-2 Mr. Rosekot, J. Woberts, 8-11-2 Off Tumber Queen, Mrs. E. Kannard, Young Hawk, P. Cleweley, B-11-2 Mr Cleveley 11-8 Secretary General, 9-4 Eractrice. 6-1 General Election, 10-1 Handy Mark, 12-1 Re Echo, 16-4 Belty's Niss, 20-1 pikers. 1.0 NEW YEAR CHASE (Div H: Novices:

1.30 FRESH START HURDLE (Novices: £414: 2001 Peaceful River, R. Pincambo, 6-11-15 ... Mar 3331 Julie Emma (CD). R. Hoogas, 5-21-8 Fell Over, D. Kent, 6-11-5 ... Harnes Scotz Norger, J. Spearing, 6-11-5 ... Webb G. Seer Physical, D. H. Jones, 9-11-5 P. Barry Trobres, W. Price, 6-11-3 ... M. Williams p. Warren Express, G. Bosley, 6-11-5 ... Bosley G. Covertine, R. Dunn, 5-10-12 ... Linkey Dison, M. Pige, 5-10-42 ... Millan 7 poor Antuma Sun (D), D. Etsworth, 4-10-10 C. Brown

10 Dampier, J. Baker, 4-10-10
10 Karlinsky (CD), Miss S. Morris, 4-10-10
Alanya, N. Michrell, 4-10-0
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20 JANUARY HURDLE (Selling): Handicap:

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[1300: Reodie's (D. S), J. Baker, 6-12-0 J. Wellame 13
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20 0040 Dasdy's Daughter (B), N. Leve-Judson.
21 '00-0 West Lone. A. Gadd. 6-10-4 Porfess. 7
24 pps. Spekes Valley, S. Kernick, 5-10-4 Bobbs.
25 0-00 Apparities, Mars N. Kernicky. 5-20-4 Shillston a
7-4 Boodle's. 5-1 Bold and Wild, 6-1 Wirss Talk, 8-1
Capina, 10-1 Daddy's Daughter, 12-1 Walmar. 16-1 others,

230 NEW YEAR CHASE (Dir III : | Novices :

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0-007 Authorative, N. Mitchell, 6-11-2 Mrs Pater Hubba 7
0-007 Carraig Dubh, G. Kindorsier, 7-21-2 ... Hobbs
1-324 Express Orchid, B. Forscy, 6-11-2 ... Bostoy
1-324 Express Orchid, B. Forscy, 6-11-2 ... Bostoy
1-324 Express Orchid, B. Forscy, 6-11-2 ... Bostoy
1-324 Express D. Barons 13-11-2 ... Bostoy
1-325 Express D. Barons 13-11-2 ... Mrs Mrs 1-2
0-002 Express Bern 1-2
0-003 Right Rosal (E. J. CM, 9-11-2 ... Mrs 1-2
0-pi0 Wastward Express, A. Jones, 9-11-2
0-pi0 Wastward Express, A. Jones, 9-11-2
0-pi0 Safeguard, D. Elsworth, 5-10-7 ... Brown 45 p200 Safeguard, D. Elsworth, 5-10-7 ...C. Brown

5-1 Lysppe, 4-1 Bouthorpe, Boy, 6-1 Pucta Fells, Safeguard, 7-1 Notice Mill, 8-1 Swallow Prince, 10-1 Express
Orchid, 14-1 others. HAIG WHISKY HURDLE (Qualifier Novices: £1.056: 2m) ira S. Pattomore, S-10-10 ira S. Pattomore, S-10-10 J. Cobdon, S-10-10 Gipsy, J. Bradley, 5-10-10 G. Dawes 3.30 WINTER CHASE (Handicap: f1,232: 2m

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Huntingdon selections

Tristrem Shandy, C. House, 7-12-7 Mr Frost 7 Graigue House, Miss S. Morras, 13-10-11 Cyle 3 Richnede (CD), M. Stephens, 8-10-11 Coyle 3 Triangle, S. Pattemore, 9-10-7 Lindey Season Time, F. Walwen, 7-10-6 Mooney Sunday Evening, K. Bishop, 10-10-5 Pichan, 7 3-030 Friendly Steve, G. Stickland, 9-10-4 Mr Bishop 7 Mr Bishop 7 Mr Bishop 7 Mr Stickland 7 -10-4 Mr Stickland 7 Mr Stickland 7 Mr Stickland 7 Mrs Victory Woodham, J. Old. 11-10-1 Mrs Victory 7 Mr 10 11 2016 Woodham, J. Old. 11-10-1 Mr. Victory
15 1137 Kuana (E). I Kennard. 8-10-0 Mr. Victory
15 03/316 -9-30 Top Tune, I. Gibbons. 9-10-0 Mann 7
19 3443 Tight Schedule, J. Bridger. 11-10-0 Suthern
19 70-3 Wr. Q. R. Barnow, 15-10-0 Mr. Sarrow 7
5-2 Beacon Time, 7-2 Richmedo. 5-1 Gralgue House, 6-1
Triangle. 8-1 Surnay Evening, 10-1 Kuanu, 12-1 Tight Schedule, 14-1 others. 4.0 CORFE HURDLE (Handicap: £1,089: 2m)

3-011 Chalk Your Cue (0), T. Hallett, 6-11-10
3-011 Chalk Your Cue (0), T. Hallett, 6-11-10
3-003 Forest Ladge (8), D. Gandollo, 5-10-13 Laricor
3-004 Het Tramp (0), J. Bridger, 7-10-8 Jankins of
4-004 Carronade (D), L. Kenner, 7-10-8 Jankins of
4-003 Waltzer, N. AvWffe, 10-10-5 ... Ayllife, 7
3-3012 Lucky Chris (CD), J. Dudgens, 6-10-3 Linker
021-0 Tierss, A. Avlott, 5-10-2 ... G. Jones
0110- Priestrost Star (D), K. Briley, 7-40-12 Webb
4-043 Ladge's Fartune, J. Edwards, 6-10-2
5-10-0 Singing Saint (D), Mrs A. Finch, 9-10-0
Coyle 4 Singing Saint (D), Para Covic 4
Stone Mist, G. Williams, 5-10-0 ... Mann 7
Key Bizcayne (D), D. Kent, 6-10-0 Levelor 7
Fored (B), A. Jones, 8-10-0 ... J. Williams
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Charife Flower (CD), K. C. Brown, 5-10-0
Kings Singer (C), J. Jewell, 7-10-0 ... Hobbs
Crasted Grobe, D. Gandolfo, 6-10-0
M. Richards

Taumion selections

By Michael Seely 12.30 Secretary General. 1.6 Lawn Meet. 1.30 Karlinsky, 2.0 Daddy's Daughter. 2.30 Lysippe. 3.0 Doucement. 3.30 Richmede. 4.9 Lucky Chris.

Wolverhampton results 1.45 (1.47) BESCOT CHASE (Div 1: nowices 2.660 Cm;

WGGSLAMG GCEM, b g b; MilenWnodland Story (Poplars Life fill) Co. Suthern (1.41) 1

Straight Cosh Mr A. b, Wilson (20.1) 2

Twitight Size R. F. Perice (11.2) 3 3.45 WYTON CHASE (Handicap: £1,069: 3m

2.13 (2.17) EVECOT CHASE (Dir II) notices: 20(0 Cm)

BETCHEY EARTH, th g by Fury Recallship Furing (H. John 7-11-; A. Turnell (evens ten) 1 King Vines (R. Roseller Charles) Fur Davice (7-1; 3 de Colombo (R. Roseller Charles) (T. Roseller Vines (R. Roseller Vin 2.45 (2 M) CEMENT CITY CHASE (Handicap E1,50) 3'4m) (Handicap: £1.52) 3'am)

#RIOOE ASH, is m by NormondryEscarsol (J. Johnson: £10.0

P. Scurlamore (7.2) 1

Choral Festival Mr. N. Low (7.1) 2

Mr. N. Oliver (6.1) 3 TOTE: win: 10p; places, 15p, 10p, Dual F, £1.5t, CSF 42 75, J, 10hp-son at het ford, 10l, 12l, Eunghall Express 12-4 (av. 4th, 0 ran.

Asmirel Grosville, J. Jonkins, 5-11-10 Rolling Amberviell, P. Bevan, 5-11-10 Scurismore Bella Isla Bey, W. J. Smith, 5-11-10 Scurismore Bella Isla Bey, W. J. Smith, 5-11-10 Newthan Scissifier Dan, J. Scallan, 5-11-10 Scullan Cellic Leve, M. Oliver, 5-11-10 Scullan Cellic Leve, M. Hockley, 6-11-10 Scullan Practice, D. Rockley, 6-11-10 Scullan Report Fark, E. Harnan, 6-11-10 Harman Report Fark, E. Harnan, 6-11-10 Harman Report Te De, T. Forster, 5-11-10 Scullan Report Fark, R. Hartop, 6-11-10 Scullan Report Fark, Grenville, 15-2 Economy Pep.

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Extract Lan 4.15 (4.21) BRIDCHORTH HURDLS (Novices: £690) 2m; Shirffin, b g by Auction Ring-Velour (G. Moorton) 10-7 Ring-P. Bicker (Mil) 1

Generous Bid, S. Smith Eccles (11-1) 2
Jade's Double, S. Reightley (5-1) 2 TOTE: Win. £1.43: place4, 44p. 26n. 12p Dual forecast: £4.27. CSF: £10.74. J. Edwards at Toss-on-Wys. 5t, hd. Imperium evens fav. Masterplan 150-11 4th. 17 ran. JACKPOT: not won, Pool of £410.00 carried forward to Hunkingdon today. PLACEPOT: £36.30.

Newcastle

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Ligidate.

PLACEPOT: Win: £26.90.



For the record

Tennis

VINAS

VINA DEL MAR (Chile): Grand Prix tournament: Second round: R. Cano l'Argentine: beat R. Acuna 7-6, 2-6, 6-2; V. Pecci. (Paragua). beat C. Aubone (Argentine: 6-4, 6-5, A. Comoz (Eduador) beat S. Menon (India: 6-2, 6-4; B. Prajoux beat M. Martinez (Bolivia: 6-3, 6-4). Velasco (Colombia: beat D. Carter (Instruita: 1-6, 6-5, 6-2; A. Filiol beat R. Benavides: Bolivia: 6-7, 6-4; P. Kronk (Australio: beat G. Urpi (Spain: 6-3, 6-3; A. Guilker (Argentine) beat I. Nastra (Romania: 7-5, 3-6, 6-4; K. Dibbs (US): beat A. Gimenez (Spain: 6-2, 6-3).

Ice hockey

MATIONAL LEAGUE Washington Lipitals 4. Winnipes Jens 5: St Louis lives 7. Philaburgh Ponguina 1.

An actress to arouse the passions

But the passions Jane Fonda gins, thought worked but aroused in the early 1970s, which I asked to have taken when she toured the country out. I'm just super-sensitive to speaking out against the Vietnam War, do not dispel easily... soapbox or lecturing the It took her six years, working audience." through her own production company, to mount Coming Home. Her Oscar for the part of Sally Hide, the woman who falls in love with a paraplegic Viginam veteran, rehabilitated her in the eyes of Hollywood at least. Then came The China. Syndrome (co-produced with Michael Douglass, another is more relaxed than she used combination of social relevance to be, and surer of herself, and commercial success. "I spent 20 years as an

Now IPC-her company is Now IPC—her company is named after the Indo-China Peace Organization, an old activist group where Fonda first. met her parmer, Bruce Gilbert—has completed its third film, Ninc to Five, which opens in London next week. It is a comedy about secretaries and comedy about secretaries and office life, with the comedian Lily Tomlin, the country singing star Dolly Parton, and of course Miss. Fonds, It represents a beauty of case from all

course Miss Fonds, It represents a change of pace from all those television reporters and career women she has been playing of late.

"My ideas for films always come from things that I hear and perceive in my daily life. In this case, a very old friend of mine had started an organization in Boston called "Nine to Five", which was an association of women office ciation of women office workers. I heard them talking about their work and they had some great stories. And I've always been attracted to those

Well before the events that

gave rise to John Wells's new prologue t" The axe falls, and our Minister of Arts/Is now a

man of more divided parts?

The Relapse had recommended itself to the Old Vic as one of

their economy year popular favourites. And, like Trelawny

of the Wells, it again illustrates

the management's tormented

policy of playing safe at the box office while simultaneously

demonstrating London's need

The answer Michael Simp-

son's production offers to this

brain teaser is to present Van-brugh's comedy in its entirety

against a rudimentary setting consisting of a few strategically

arranged hand props and flown backdrops that make a token

appearance between the spec-

It is a touring show, and it looks like one. It also reveals

how much more there is to the

piece than one character that

everybody has come to see.

Presented in his full surround-

ng context, Lord Foppington

shrinks into a smallish role, in

ance is a comic climax

(coupled with the visual impact

of his every growing peruke and ever proliferating ribbons),

hut around him there stretch

quantities of other people's in-

trigues that pull the show out

to some three and a half hours.

at last, is the revelation of the work Vanbrugh intended. And

there are new insights and

pleasures; such as the develop-ment of old Coupler (Bob

Hernery) into a substantial

schemer and growing in

resourcefulness as the intrigue thickens, until he finally achieves full authority as an

Another surprise is the full-

d ess-baroque masque that Sir

Tunbelly lavs on for Hoyden's

wedding; at which point the

who have supplied anachronistic

With the mutter of "No danc-

ing girls", a fellow critic aban-doned the front row to explore

Riverside Studios. A few minutes later, however, out of

the emptiness of the stage and

the spare format of a two-man

show with piano. David Vaughan proved himself the next best thing to a chorus line.

Turning from the task of shar-

inc old show-business lyrics with Al Carmines he started spin-

ning around the stage to a silly 1909 song, "Moonstruck".

invincible matchmaker.

A Winter Garland

Riverside Studios

Ned Chaillet

I would like to say that here,

point of lines; his very appear-

tator and the back wall.

for a third classical company.

The Relapse

Irving Wardle

Old Vic

She is 43 now, although she looks 10 years younger, one of the world's most famous faces, one of America's most controportion poll found that 49 per cent of Americans held her "in high regard", 45 per cent "in low regard" and only 6 per cent had no opinion: even Presidents generally pull at least 20 per cent of "dou't knows".

But the passions Jane Fonda side id it, it seemed too preacy, too much of a feminist line. I'd wanted to work with Lily of the much of a feminist line. I'd wanted to work with Lily because of Reagan but because of Reagan but because of Presidents and Henry Fonda were stranged for many years. "It because of Reagan but because of Reagan but because of Reagan but because of the Democratic side now which I altow was one of the most moving think is pretty healthy. The people who were running the party were people from the work any more. As a matter of least 20 per cent of "dou't stuff that was filmed, even knows".

But the passions Jane Fonda control to much of a feminist line. I'd wanted to work with Lily because of Reagan but because of Reagan but because of the Democratic side now which I altow think is pretty healthy. The people who were running the party were people from the New Deal era and that doesn't work any more. As a matter of fact, my hope lies with the women Nine to Five was made for. I really believe this is

"I spent 20 years as an actress having no control over my own work, and frankly I didn't enjoy it all that much. There were a couple of parts—Klute and They Shoot Horses, Don't They?—which were actress having no control over my own work, and frankly I didn't enjoy it all that much. There were a couple of parts—

Klute and They Shoot Horses, Don't. They?—which were good experiences, but that's all. When it became hard for me to get roles in the early firm to get roles in the early giving up acting altogether. It was really friends who persuaded me otherwise. Instead, I formed IPC wish Bruce and decided to develop my own decided to develop my own difference to me. The film work I do, the kids making sure The Workout [her Los Angeles exercise studio] is a successful business. That's what my life is about now, a along with raising money for Cc.D."

Surprisingly, she found Ronald Reagan's victory in the United States Presidential election far from dispiriting.

"Yes. of course. Reagan of the solution of the first time father and daughter had acted together." I have a small part in the movie, but it's a 43-year-old woman who has never

"I always research all my characters, and for Nine to Five I went looking for women who had begun work late in life, due to divorce or being widowed. I think my political activism actually helps me as a film actress because I don't live isolated from everyday problems or everyday life. I'm nor just mixing with wealthy

always open attracted to those of the states residential elec1940s films with three female tion far from dispiriting.

"Yes, of course, Reagan old woman who has never make a drama. But any way we opposed to. But when he won, her father and how that cath-

bitious film Bruce and I have tackled. I play a business-woman, but right at the caher end of the spectrum—the person at the top. That insu-lated, isolated world of the very rich and powerful. We rich and powerful We three years of research with the government and in banks—the film is set in the banking world. I think we've got it right."

Fonda and Gilbert also have plans to move into television, starting with a series based on Nine to Five. "I am aware that a whole lot of people never go to the movies. I grew up with an elitist artitude about television." vision, like if you werd a television actor you were only waiting for the day you could break into films. But the sheer quality of people whose main form of entertainment is tele-vision is too great to ignore that audience. Reaching as many people as possible is very important to me.

> Joan Goodman Jane Fonda in



France developing a taste for Britten

Peter Grimes Opéra, Paris

Kenneth Loveland

In acknowledging the status of Peter Grimes, Paris has been less ready than most important musical capitals! Covent Garden took it to the Opera in June 1948, with Karl Rankl conducting and Richard Lewis in the title role, but it had not been seen there sinke until the current performances. In the rent performances. In the French provinces it has fared better, with productions in Strasbourg (1949), Bordeaux (1954, 1964), and Marselles (1971). Now it has returned to (1971). Now it has returned to the Opéra, accoring what can only be described as a triumph.

The Opera has imported Covent Garden's keenly observed, dramatically structured production by Elijah Moshinsky, and with it the personally-felt Peter Grimes of Jon Vickers. Otherwise the cast is new, a team of mostly British.

Against this background them, background dramatic shape. The tensions there emerges a brilliantly conducted and their crises released, their important the more decisive for the Captain Balstrode of Benjamin soft illumination brought to Luxon, making his Opéra debut the score's more reticent and conveying a realistic moments. The orchestral playing was totally committed, and and compassion within a exemplary in some matters of weatherbeaten exterior. Patricia detail, such as the luminous new, a team of mostly British. new, a team of mostly British, Wells is a sympathetically woodwind playing and the viola French on French-based artists drawn Ellen Orford, deeply solo in the Passacaglia. The singing in English and conduct moving in the despair of Paris chorus responded singing in English and conduct moving in the despair of ted by John Pritchard, who will imagined defeat. Other notable also direct the work in Cologne studies are the bible-flourishin May.

At the opening night this week Peter Grimes conquered its audience as it must always do when imaginatively staged, conducted played and sung by a cast alive trait of a Rector overtaken by

Arts agenda

sible industrial action over its pany.

proposed wage freeze, has received a promise of extra

unds from the Scottish Arts

Council and is now hopeful that; a strike can be averted. The last year has been disastrous for the company: its pro-

ductions have run into increas-

ing criticism; in June Peter Ebert, its general administra-

tor, resigned; its deficit stands at £440,000; and it is now

planning a reduced programme

gow in the coming year.

of just six productions in Glas-

freeze last month, as part of

icit by March next year, there were threats of industrial action by the Musicians' Union. But the arts council,

which initially promised Scot-

tish Opera a grant of £2m for 1981-82, has now found an

1981-82, has now found an extra £60,000, and this is sufficient to enable the company to

cent increase. Negotiations are

and with the other unions later

this year, the company must make further severe cuts if it is to survive: it wants to reduce the number of salaried principal suggers and it is

currently discussing plans

Even if agreement can be

the musicians a 5 per

with the orchestra,

When it announced the wage

Scottish Opera, faced with pos- their part in saving the com-

lyricism. The cheers at the end Hobson. Richard Best's pompof Act 1 were of an order ous Swallow, a kindly Aunticusually reserved for the final curtain of a successful premiere. At the close, the enthusiasm was immense and extended.

Wickers demonstrates the county of the creative control of of the creative cont

in its transfer to the Opera stage, Moshinsky's production has retained all its virtues of striking simplicity, fundamentally sharp outlines and practi-cal mobility, the designs of Timothy O'Brien and Tazena Firth have preserved their relevance, and the production's power to give Britten's musical prompting a graphic visual evocation is as immediate and exciting as it was in its home theatre.

Against this background this Bob Boles of Alexander Oliver, ered Jocelyne Taillon's darkly omiways nous Mrs Sedley, Gino Quilico's ged, debonair and richly sung Ned and Keene, Michel Senechal's por-

Amid all the controversy about a cancelled first night at

Vickers demonstrates the strength of the grasp he now exercises on all the complex elements in Grimes's make-up. elements in Grimes's make-up.

Protess in isolation, the bitterness of the man against the crowd, are softened by a hint of kindness stifled by events. The acting was vivid, the singing ringing in defiance, wonderfully controlled in moments such as "Now the Great Bear and Pleiades" and in the concluding tortured soliloquy.

Princhard's conducting was

Pritchard's conducting was keenly aware of the work's dramatic shape. The tensions were carefully graduated and their crises released, their im-pact the more decisive for the

superbly. There are further performances on Saturday, and on February 7, 10 and 12. Coincident with the produc-tion, the Opera is housing an exhaustive exhibition tracing the development of Britten's achievements. Presented with

the support of the British Council and Barclays Group of Banks, this is the work of Charles Pitt, for whom it has clearly been a work of diligent research and devoted labour. In the first tableau, it is apparatus rent that a consistent strand will be Britten's philosophy of the composer in the marketplace, the ivory tower rejected, and the later dovetailing of personal reminiscence with the numerous production pictures gives this theme emphasis. Those who have followed the

Britten story down the years will find much nostalgia in the will find much nostage in the pictures of the Maltings in ashes and risen again, of the informal meeting (Benjamin Britten, Peter Pears, Joan Cross, Eric Crozier and John Piper) out of which the English Opera Group was born, the wartime journey of the Axel Johnson bringing Britten home from the score's more reticent America, Britten at ease among moments. The orchestral play-the Aldeburgh fishing boats and the wide-ranging photographs of productions. There is a proper tribute to Roger Lalande, who pioneered Peter Grimes in provincial France.

The exhibition at the Opéra

stavs open until March 20, and will be shown later with the Cologue production of Peter Grimes and Geneva's Albert Herring, Like the Opera pro-duction of Peter Grimes, it should do much to stir a more positive French appreciation of the composer's art.

says: "I think it is quire nat-ural for a singer who can no

longer sing." (She gave her

last recital in March, 1979.) Her

aim is to turn back entirely to the score: "By serving the work, I think I will serve the public." She is not sure

whether producing will become a regular occupation in future: "I would only do the

things I really do know", she

Ken Campbell, settling in as

artistic director at the Every-man Theatre in Liverpool, is

offering a typically varied pro-gramme, which begins tonight with Lucky Strike by Hrant Alianak, a work composed entirely of B-movie cliches; it

will be followed by a play-about the country and western

singer Hank Williams. Later

productions include the pre-miere of an adaptation of Karel Capek's satirical novel

The War with the Newts, and

two operatic pieces based on

gothic horror stories. Next month there will also be a late night revue by Andrew Dall-meyer which should appeal to low and highbrows alike: its

title is Metaphysics and Strip.

NOT TO BE MISSED: Jessye

Says.

welcome was the sentimental solemnity, recalling the worst of: Mendelssohn's religious music, that Mr Masur introduced in the slow movement, and that Mr Schiff smartly turned into the fresh poetry of a sone without words. song without words. The Beethoven performance was notable for using the edition by Peter Gülke whose most surprising feature is the wholesale repeat of the scherzo and trio before the adventuring into the finale. Whether or not this was Beethoven's final intention for the symphony is unclear; what is certain is that the extra

> even more powerful. So it seemed to a prodicious extent in this account, where Mr Masur was never loath to change, the whole orchestral climate from moment to moment. There were marvellous effects like the trumpets' processional in the slow movement, falling to leave an echo on the horns, or the textured interplay of woodwinds and pizzicato strings, or the sense of novelty in the entrence of the piccolo, but it needed a stronger stomach than mine to stay with Mr Masur quite to the end.

weighting of the third move-ment makes the work's progress

a punch

RPO/Masur Festival Hall

Paul Griffiths

There was something thunderous and mighty about Tuesday's concert by the Royal Philhar.

monic Orchestra and Kurt
Masur. No doubt it had
much to do with the presence
at the end of the programme
of Beethoven's first symphony,
but the effect rippled back

right through the evening, even to Bartok's Divertimento for

strings at the start. And a divertimento really ought to be allowed to be more engaging and spirited. The use here of a

and spirited. Ine use here of a full symphonic string con-tingent, playing coarsely, en-couraged Mr Masur in his fierce dynamism, and within that context the solo passages would have sounded frail even if they had been better per-formed.

A strong lead from the conductor was, however, a real

advantage in the concerto, Mendelssohn's second for plano,

in D minor. It was nor that the soloist, Andras Schiff, did not have ideas of his own; indeed, right from a silky appegio whisked up the keyboard in the

opening bars, this was a per-formance that found a palpable

musical sense in every phrase, apart from being simply beau-tiful in tone. But the dramatic and sometimes gruff accompani-

ment in the first movement was

needed to set the stage. Less

Amadeus/Klien Queen Elizabeth Hall

Noël Goodwin

What should have been the second stage in a journey through the Beethoven string quartets had to become a Mozar programme instead on Tuesday vith only three-quarters a the Amadeus Quartet able to keep the date. Their second violinist, Siegmund Nissel, has been ill, and although I understand he is convalescing well they have decided that their next concert in two weeks should also be changed to Beethoven trios instead of quartets.

Much of their programme this time was given to the only string trio by Mozart, which he perversely called a divertimento, presumably on account of it having six movements. In spite of that the players took a serious view of it, which yielded plenty of attractive moments in the first half, once they had accustomed then selves to the new balance of tone and texture. The work is indeed notable for its equality of interest between the individual parts, and Peter Schidlof in particular relished what must be Mozart's most reward-

ing writing for the viola. From the variations of the fourth movement through to the end however a certain stolidness clouded the performance, a reluctance to give way to the humorous intent that Mozart must surely have had in mind in basing both the varia-tions and the finale on the kind of popular tunes that Papageno might have whistled As a result the less cheerful passages lacked what strength and character they can gain by

contrast when the rest is given more carefree phrasing. Framing the trio were the two piano quartets, in which the string players were joined by Walter Klien as a colleague in the best sense. That is to doubt of the depth of musical doubt of the depth of musical purpose in the G minor quartet the genial elegance of the E flat quartet and the concerto like qualities of the writing in

both. He also achieved a balance that made apparent Mozart's originality and conception as the four solo instruments com-bined in a new way for his listeners pleasure then and our

Martin Huckerby present delight now.

debilitating disease which will affect the print has only

gone past the stage of pointing fingers and laying the blame. What he is concerned about is saving the films. And, most importantly for a man whose career began in the pulp cinema of Roger Corman, he hopes that there will be no discrimination. Many historically important films are not Oscar-winners or critical successes but minor works by little known directors. The Creeping Terror is one of the best films about America in the 50s, he said, and even

William Cameron Menzies made films like The Invaders from

that the film industry will step in and develop some way of stabilizing colour film. There must be an urgent move to transfer fading films to secure mediums. And, for the future, demand in their contracts that their work will be maintained for posterity. For the archivists present, still raising money to transfer monochrome films from combustible nitrate stock. it must have seemed a fond



however, is of quantities of

routine exchanges of high-toned seduction dialogue, assembled from those clip-together metaphore of storming citadels and coming safely into port, which make considerable demands on the audience's staving power.

That, of course, is a comment on performance. The casting is extremely variable; but, to but it crudely, the men come off much the best. Maureen O'Brien's Amanda has the right blend of rebellious rectitude but without much trace of comic spirit, while Celia Foxe's Berinthia is pallidly unlikely as an eronic trouble-maker : never have I heard her sotto voce role, beginning as a randy old-"Help help" as Loveless carts her off to bed raise less of a laugh.
Things are much better with

> congrarulations on memorization as an insult, but Richard

the men. Actors are apt to take

Kay deserves some award for his last-minute creation of the le of Loveless. Length apart, the point about two evening-suited clarinettists this continuously masked charalinks between the earlier scenes ter is that the least interrupat last come into their own.
The dominant impression, tion of fluency would be fetal

to its effect, and Mr Kay sup-

and sings with charm and they find a splendid passing harmony from time to time but

skills need a more dramatic

frame. Mostly they pass musical

curiosities back and forth to one another with calculated

regularity, from Broadway schmaltz to Hollywood whimsy.

particularly theatrical

plies the exact image of an tormented husband maintaining a surface manner relaxed urbanity that would be fully at home in the more conscience-wracked stretches of Peter Nichols's Passion Play.

Of the two obvious leads. John Nettles's Foppington takes his cue from one of the girls' lines that the former Sir Novelty is no fool. Under the frills he is as rampant a male as Little Red Riding Hood's wolf; and he also leaves you with some respect for Foppington as a kindly coxcomb. The Clumsey household, ornamented with a fine chunky

Hoyden from Julia Swift, shoulders habitually bent forward as for a rugger scrum, is properly dominated by Barry tanton's Sir Tunbelly, a border aron in whom the wild hunter perpetually at war with the magistrate, and who runs the place on paramilitary lines, marching his pitchfork-brandishing retainers around at the double, and sitting down with them, literally as one man, on cramped stall so that, when he stands or sits, so unavoid-

Reverend Carmines unearth There are real delights in the selections, from "Singin' in the Bathtub" to "I Love a Piano", many more silly and sentimental songs, exploring par-ticularly the rich vein of Irving Berlin's tunes and lyrics. It is but the most intriguing bit for a London audience must be Rev Carmines on his own. Sandthe sort of thing they have been doing in Greenwich Village for wiched between the interval 10 years as benefits for Rev and a return to Jerome Kern and the company of Mr Vaughan, Rev Carmines sings songs of his own composition, Carmines's Judson Memorial Church, the home of one of the most influential Off Broadway theatres since 1961, the Judson shows to which he has con-It would not quite state the case to say they do it well. Rev Carmines plays the piano well explains them and conveys a

> cerns from Winnie-the-Pooh to-Eighth Avenue prostitution. The production remains outside its own environment for the rest of the time. With due respect to the Judson Memorial Church, the ideal setting would include the clink of ice in cock-tail glasses, or an ocean lines.

ministry: encompassing his con-

It is strange, then, that Piccadilly on Tuesday evening, he spent nearly three hours rambling around the subject. (In Tokyo a similar lecture had taken five-and-a-half hours.) What Scorsese said boiled down three-colour cumbersome process was replaced by Kodak-Eastman film stock in the mid-

> due There are a limited number

play at all: The Massacre at Paris by Christopher Murlowe. The theatre says that some people think the script which has survived only represents edited highlights of the origi-nal. "The text is certainly strange. It is a very short play and I think there are 17 min. keeping the orchestra at a strength of 38 instead of about 55 as planned. The company is for an appeal and for a self-help strange. It is a very short play Anne campaign by which supporters and I think there are 17 mur-roles, of Scottish Opera can play ders." and bulky, or kept cool in ex-spensive air-conditioned vaults. To prevent current films from fading, the most obvious thing would be to return to the old, stable Technicolor process

haps get round to making the

Theatre in Glasgow is opening its production of a rarely seen

play which some experts believe is not really a proper

which

On Saturday the Citizens

world, in China. Scorsese backed his thesis with many chilling examples. A trailer for *The King and I* had bleached to a rose glow. The Van Gogh landscape in Lust for Life looked like a Monet river-scape. A documentary about

There is, however, only one

Technicolor factory in the

turies, the est of film-making transitory. Even the most costly film production ever, the record of the NASA moon shots, is beginning to deterio-rate, and there is no going back to take it again.

Scorsese was in some embar-rassment because his latest film, Raging Bull, out in London next month, is made in black and white on colour film stock. He Was converted on the road to editing the film and found out too late that it will fade like all the rest. He had made Raging Bull in monochrome for

evangelist, starting an almost of ways of saving the prints made in the last 25 years. They single-handed campaign to bring the facts to a wider public. cave paintings ironically proved that, while primitive art used various reasons, none of them colours which lasted for cen- to do with feding, and the At the British Academy of may be transferred to a three-Film and Television Arts in colour process, which is costly هَكُذُا مِن الأصل



Prince Edward-Theatre

Martin Scorsese BAFTA

Poets' Theatre.

Nicholas Wapshott

Public speaking does not come naturally to Martin Scorsese. Behind a camera he is elegantly articulate, as in Mean Streets or Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore. But in his private life he is shy and in his public life he s almost unreachable. He is a chronic asthmatic who is difficult to track down between

Scorsese has made it his business to embark upon a tour of public appearances of extraordinary length to publicize his passionate concern. Angered by to this; since Technicolor's a New York screening of Stanley Kubrick's 2001 where the colour had faded he disfifties, all colour films have been deteriorating, their range of colours reduced to pink and covered that all colour films are at risk. Scorsese has since become a colour film fading

offer

continuing.

reached

With a cast of four, playing duced an opera before, she something like 30 characters, itseems an eccentric project but, directed and designed Philip Prowse, it sounds as if it has the ingredients to become the of

Covent Garden, Luciano Pavarotti is a happy if exhausted man He withdrew Citizens' unlikely successes. from the opening night of Un ballo in maschera because his Later this spring the comfather was undergoing a serious operation in New York, pany is offering an even more outlandish piece: the premiere of The Last Days of Mankind and, while he sang in later performances, he says: "In the past two weeks I'm more in by Karl Kraus—a vast docu-mentary-type epic, written at the start of the First World War when the author, a Vien-nese, believed the world really the air on Concorde than I'm down on the ground". The operation went well and his father was with him in was coming to an end. When it London on the way home to failed to end, he refused to let the work be performed Kraus thought it would have taken 10 Italy. Just before the operation they sang an encore together at La Scala. I said it might be the last chance, and this evenings to perform in full, but it has been translated and adapted by Robert David Macwas the stage where we had to sing." Pavarotti receives be-tween 5,000 and 6,000 letters a Donald to fit into a single evening, which promises, according to the theatre, " a year from fans wanting him to make an LP with his father. Now, he thinks, they will per-

Elisabeth Schwarzkopf, who was in London recently to give a lacture on the interpretation of Lieder, is taking on a new mantle later this spring-that some experts of an opera producer. The really a proper work she has chosen is one close to her heart; Strauss's Der Rosenkmalter, of which she made a memorable record-ing in the 1950s with Karajan. She will be producing the opera in Brussels in May, with Elisabeth Söderströn Anne Howells in the leading

succession of nightmares.".

Although she has not pro-

Norman sings Strauss's Four Last Songs and Lulu's Song by Berg with the Royal Philhar-monic Orchestra under Kurt Masur at the Festival Hall (7.30 pm, Sunday).

hardened his resolve. He says that the problem has

directors and actors





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Don't ask a policeman

Very early this morning, timing the transaction so that it should be completed before the newspaper in which these words appear would become available appear would become available to the general public, I sold my vatch, getting a good price for it. If it is still early when you are reading me, I advise you to drop whatever else you are doing—having breakfast, catching the 8.15, taking the children to school—and follow my example, because before the cay reaches elevenses timepieces of every description will he no more than scrap metal, so devastating will be the force of the revelations I am about to

It appears that in 1972 a new basis of telling the time was established by international agreement. The details need not concern us, particularly not concern us, particularly since I do not understand them and I don't suppose you would cither, but the principle is easy to grasp; the length of the day was no longer to be calculated by the time it took the earth to revolve on its own axis, but by: a system wholly independent of the solar day, based as it was instead on the vibrations in the atoms of an obscure metal atoms of an obscure metal called caesium.

why, or for that matter how, the world decided upon a method of calculating the length of the day that took no account of the length of the be day. I cannot tall: for my present purpose, however, it is not necessary to know. Mind you, I could have tall they that the decision have told them that the decision would lead to tears before bedtime, especially since there would now be no means of telling the difference between bedtime and Michaelmas; no doubt that is why they concealed the that is why they concealed the news from me until they had accomplished their fell purpose. But whatever the degree of coloability involved in the original decision, and whoever the culorits might have been, it is the situation roday (which contents may now mean) which contents that may now mean) which conthat may now mean) which con-

> You may say that two thousandths of a second a day is not much to worry about, and no doubt in itself it isn't ...

For the hideous truth is that, since they started mucking about with the time, there has been a discrepancy between the old form and the new, between the method that depended upon watching the world go round and the system that involved counting the quiverings of atoms, like a billion insomniacs counting sheep. In the atom-day, there are \$6.400 seconds; but in the good old solar day there were—and still are, for the world has not stopped revolving just because the caesium stom has started vibrating—an average of 86,400.002 seconds, a

difference of two-thousandths of a second a day. You may say that two-thousandths of a second a day is not much to worry about, and no doubt in itself it isn't. But you see, the discrepancy is always in the same direction; instead of solar time being a bit short one nayday and flush with surplus seconds the next, it mounts up steadily. Two-thou-sandths of a second a day, even without compound interest, will amount to an entire minute in a mere 32 years, and that means that the ancient cynic's question -" A hundred years from now who'll know the difference?"is at last answered: the answer is "Anyone who can count", for a century from now the discrepancy between the two forms of time measurement will

indeed be a full 75 seconds. Whence, you will realise, my decision to get rid of my watch, for it is set to solar time, and obviously a man with so many appointments cannot afford a watch that will be an entire second wrong after only 161 months, and three seconds out in four years.

But thought's the slave of life, and life time's fool; And time, that takes survey of

also boasted that Not marble, nor the gilded

monuments Of princes, shall outlive this

powerful rhyme, thereby, however, reckoning without the clowns who have so mucked up the time that there is no telling what will outlive what any longer. Of course, there will be the usual cranks who will ask why on anyth it was will ask why on the state of t earth, if you will excuse the expression, anyone would want to know the length of the day to within an accuracy (I have just worked it out with my trusty pocket calculator) of one in something over forty-three million, but such people do not realise that science moves in a mysterious way its wonders to perform, and that there are even now scientists going bosseyed with the effort to count the vibrations in an atom of bophonium, following a report to the effect that if they based the length of the day on that instead they would be able to get it right to within a margin not of one in forty-three million, but one in eighty-six million or even more. For it is an axiom of science that if a given quantity of anything is must be at least twice as good if not more, and it must follow as the night the day, at any rate until they reverse the order in which these two phenomena occur, that four times the quantity must be

The first Lord Samuel once remarked that space was like "a large, empty box with the top, botton and sides removed", and I see what he means. But if that is so, I think time will have to be described as a broad river flowing for ever at a constant rate but for ever at a constant rate but with all the water drained off. Your homme moven sensuel on the Clapham omnibus will no doubt object to being told to throw away his watch because in 82 years it will be a minute fast, and will insist that he can adjust the thing every half a century or so and that between whiles a rough approximation will do. But that only goes to show how far behind the times, if you see what I mean, the man on the Clapham omnibus

even better, and pro rata, at

The times, it has been aptly remarked, are what we must remarked, are what we must move with. True, the rate at which we were to do the mov-ing was not specified in the orifinal contract, and it is unlikely that when it was drawn up any-hody contemplated moving with the times as fast as an atom of caesium could vibrate, let alone

There was a young lady called Bright,
Who travelled much faster than light; She started one day In the relative way, And came back the previous

And it seems that there is every likelihood that we shall all shortly find ourselves in a condition of similar confusion, and having to ask, before we make a lunch-engagement or try to catch a train, whether the relevant time is being given in the solar mode or the caesium, and then trying to remember the conversion formula. (A few months ago, as I was landing in Hongkong, the pilot gave the ground temperature in degrees centigrade, and trying to work out what that was in real money. I came to the alarming conclusion that I was

about to step out into a tem-perature of 970 fahrenheit.) perature of 970 fahrenheit.)

The irony in my own situation is that when I read the dire news I had just been thinking of buying a sundial for my window-box, but if, as is presumably the case, all it will tell is solar time, it is obviously of no use to me. I shall have to fall back on the old maxim, suitably up-dated to read. "If you want to know the read: "If you want to know the time. ask a caesium-plated policeman". Shakespeare had a word for that problem, too:

Come what come may, Time and the hour run through the roughest day. E Times Newspapers Limited, 1981 | Wales and England along the

Last Saturday, a constituency delegate courageously told the special Labour Conference the truth to its face. "This is a deeply corrupt assembly", said Mr Alec Spurway of Abingdon. It was the "final rotten borough", and he pointed out that the margin by which last October's conference had passed ber's conference had passed the principle of an electoral all the world, Must have a stop. So said Shakespeare, who college for the making of a leader was smaller than the number of union votes in dis-

> Mr Frank Chapple of the electricians union spoke on the same theme; the block votes were not the votes of "real people" but represented the amount of money a trade union was prepared to put up to buy votes—some unions even having more votes than members. Mr Sid Weighell of the railwaymen, an honourable trade union leader who genuinely seeks to represent the opinions of his rank and file. opinions of his rank and file, declared that the block vote was suspect. "I know, because

> I've got one in my hand." Still, Parliament survived the rotten boroughs of the eighteenth century, so why should it not survive the use of union block votes in the appointment of a Labour leader? It survived the borough-mongering of the Duke of Newcastle; why should it not survive Mr Clive Jenkins?

> The answer is simple. The The answer is simple. The eighteenth century member of Parliament, despite his patron, could be capable of great personal independence. The younger Pitt entered Parliament for a rotten borough, but his personal independence was never in doubt, since even the worst, of horough-mangers had worst of borough-mongers had regard for Parliament as an institution whose power their less corrupt ancestors had created. It was the only mechanism for power that they know.

But many on the Labour left have no such preconception. They have a countervalling They power-base through which to operate, the union block votes in a different assembly, which can be used to appoint, remove or call Labour leaders to account. They are not sensitive to the independence of Parliament. This, of course, is also

So far the Council for Social

So far the Council for Social Democracy, like some of the political groupings of the eighteenth century, has been stronger on men than on measures. Indeed, it may well be its lack of dogma and ideology which account for its apparent popularity with the public as evidenced in yesterday's poll in the Sun.

Today however a solidly in-

day's poll in the Sun.

Today, however, a solidly intellectual element is added to the social democratic armoury in the form of a 550-page book' by Dr David Owen, one of the original "Gang of Four". Finished at Christmas, it has been rushed out by the publishers following the events of the last few days and will in-

the last few days and will in-evitably be taken as a manifesto

In his central argument, Dr

Owen repeats a theme already

clearly articulated by other social democrats, most notably

Professor David Marquand and

Mr Evan Luard. The Labour Party, he writes, is too domi-

nated by notions of corporatism and centralism and too much

under trade union influence. It

is time to reassert the decentralized, libertarian tradition of

William Morris and Guild Socialism and reject the paternalism of the Webbs.

than just bemoaning past and present failures. His book con-

tains detailed and often dense analyses of what should be done

in fust about every area of public policy. The section on foreign policy

is clearest and perhaps most predictable, affirming as it does a positive commitment to the

a position of strength for multi-lateral nuclear disarmament

rather than succumbing to the temptation of unilateralism. It is infused by a strong commitment to internationalism

which Dr Owen sees the Labour

left as having sacrificed to nar-

row nationalism.

of the new Council.

Ronald Butt

Finding the roots of a new party





Lord George-Brown and Mr Douglas Eden; building up a countervailing influence for Labour.

there is no other socialist parry as dominated by the votes of the unions, which can be manipulated for wider political ends,

as Labour is.

This being so, the need for a party of the left with genuine roots in the wider electorate is obvious and the result of last Saturday's Conference is to be welcomed because it brought this much nearer. The passing of the more extreme motion instead of a "fudging" formula made it much easier for the hesitating social democrats to act as they did—even though "fudging" might have been more dangerous to parliamentary independence in the longer

run.
So now the social democrats are on their own and the final break seems likely to come in the next few weeks. Their new party will then start with the advantage that it has had its inception, like the Conservatives and Liberals, inside Parliament. But it will need an organization in the country if it is to draw to itself the large potential sup-port which the opinion polls

which yesterday, in a move of the Militant Tendency, had no great significance, announced that Lord George-Brown is to be wider vote than MPs alone, the British Labour Party should not do the same. The reason is that there is no other socialist party as dominated by the votes of the grassroots operation, and nothing but a grassroots operation, which yesterday, in a move of the Militant Tendency, had no "members", but only "supporters". In this way, the SDA began to build up a counter-valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that Labour Party should not of the SDA is that from the valing influence, and in consecutive that the state of the same that the state

When it was first formed in 1975, it deliberately excluded MPs from its ranks so as to avoid the accusation that it was merely an offshoot of the Mani-festo Group's parliamentary politics, which could have tied its hands to Westminster

its hands to Westminster manoeuvres.

Under the leadership of Mr Douglas Eden. Dr Stephen. Haseler; two GLC councillors, Mr Roger Fox and others (some of whom later departed when the SDA became too outspoken) the new association was intended to mobilize Labour grassroot anxieties about the infiltration of the left, and to take remedial action against such far leftilsr groups as the Militant Tendency.

Assiduously the SDA began calling public attention to antidemocratic activities inside the

democratic activities inside the Labour Party and to the willinguess of too many in official positions to cover this up or to have associations with bodies antipathetic to parliamentary

The seeds of such an organization are already planted by the Social Democratic Alliance

At first, only Labour Party members were admitted to the SDA which, taking a leaf out the book of such bodies as

quence, after about two years, its supporters started to be expelled when they took action locally which exposed the activities of the far left.

Thus Mr Cyril Nottingham, leader of the majority Labour group on the Scunthorpe borough council was expelled for providing the information which was largely the basis of which was largely the basis of the report by Lord Underbill, then Labour's national agent, on the infiltration of the Militant Tendency. This expulsion was overturned by a regional appeals tribunal, but significantly, Labour's National Executive Committee, reversed that decision and Mr Nottingham was thrown out. ham was thrown out.

By 1979, so many had been ejected that the SDA decided that to keep and recruit the people it most wanted, it must people it most wanted, it must waive its previous insistence that its supporters must be Labour members. For the first time, branches were also established to build a national organization, This was probably in violation of Labour's constitution, but hardly more an affront to its spirit than the Allitant's activities Alilitant's activities.

Meanwhile, the lessons preached by the SDA had been

and the one which offers fewest

taken to heart inside the pa liamentary party, which set u its own rival grass-roots of anization, the Campaign of Labour Victory—largely uner direction from Westminser. The SDA, however, remained an exclusively grass-roots organization though its members and personal contacts with scial democratic MPs which lare today of growing relevane. Then, in January 1980 the decision was taken to compile a reserve list of candiates

decision was taken to compile a reserve list of candilates which, in certain circumstances, the SDA would field h the next general election gainst Labour extremists. A new statement of aims established learly that the SDA envisaged its

to the existing social nocratic MPs. They include Roy Morris, a long-stand. Bristol City councillor who wil oppose Mr Anthony Wedg. wood Benn, and also Mr Jim Lily and Mr Michael Golder, former members of the stering committee of the Campign for Labour Victory. The SIA claims a national member. fongest in the cities where abour is dominated by the ft, particularly in London, he Midlands, and the North-est. It is weaker in the North-est precisely because it is there that social democratic

The SDA has no paid organization or offices; the work is done from members' homes. They say they have no money except the contributions of their supporters—some of whom are small businessmen with Labour roots. But voluntary work can achieve a great deal where there is will and single-mindedness, and nobody can accuse the SDA of lacking either. It now has about 50 either. It now has about in regional sucrocaries and a viable organization of a skele-tal sort which will obviously be

of great importance to a break-away social democratic Labour Party. Party.

But the greater significance of the SDA is, perhaps, its insistence on its grassroots origin and the continuity it provides with the cultural tradition of the old patriotic Labour Party. (It is one of the more bizarre features of last Saturday's conference that four

that the SDA envisated its natural constituency in the country was that of he old Labour party, and ne some vague Lib-Lab centre gound.

This, indeed, is the significance of the announcement of Lord George-Brown presidency at this modent, for though he is now of the Labour Party his root have allow ways been in the old Labour tradition. His presidency emphasizes that the SDA who have allowed the social democracy as having more of a popular basis than might be assumed from the social democracy of the Roy Jenkins varier, important though this is to them.

The SDA now as a reserve list of 38 candidaes already in the field, who would be in additions for a new party.

Rushing out the Owen manifesto



Dr David Owen: positive policies.

government action is in setting

the most beneficial economic climate for industry. Deploring

the "see-saw" effect of violent changes in policy by successive Labour and Conservative gov-ernments, he rejects both doc-

trinaire laisser-faire monetarism

and total state socialism and wholesale nationalization.

Commending the development of the British computer

and pharmaceurical industries

and pharmaceutical industries as examples of how the state can mix formal and informal involvement, controls and ownership, he writes: "What government must learn is to

judge when to intervene and when not to intervene, on the basis of a disciplined, scientific and thoughful approach, not on the basis of dogma, docuring or prejudice."

A similar desire to avoid the

narrow dogmarism of both left and right informs Dr Owen's

writing on the all-important question of economic policy, As a result, this is perhaps the

least, clear part of the book

Take 30,000 letters;

lines of those recommended in That much is familiar ground. Where Dr Owen goes further than most other disillusioned Labour social democrats, however, is in asserting positive policies and strategies rather than just hemogning page and the minority report of the Kilbrandon Commission. He calls for an elected second chamber, to include United Kingdom members of the European Assembly, a decentralized health service with elected local health authorities having the power to raise revenue, and a system of local income tax to reinvigorate local government and reverse what he calls "the stultifying embrace" of White-

Rather more controversially, he also calls for a reduction in the power of the Civil Ser-vice by ministers being able to recruit personal staff, as in the French cabinet system. He purs considerable faith in the bene-fits which both a Freedom of Information Act and a more rigorous system of parliamen-tary scrutiny of government departments would have on administration.

In a long section on representative democracy, Dr Owen argues in favour of devolution, with assemblies in Scotland, Committing himself firmly to supporting the continuation of the mixed economy. Dr Owen argues that the crucial area for practical suggestions for new policies.

practical suggestions for new policies.

He starts from the premise that the central aim of any government should be the pursuit of equality. In taking that line he puts himself firmly in a socialist tradition, just as Mrs Shirley Williams has in her frequent reiterations of the same point, and eschews the traditional Liberal position. He goes on to reject both the low growth strategy and the introduction of a tax credit scheme that have commended themselves to many Liberals.

Dr Owen is in no doubt that an incomes policy is an essential element in curing Britain's economic malaise. He suggests that "a decentralized policy that relies on a mixture of marker forces, controls and comparabilities chould be able to be

ker forces, controls and com-parability should be able to be maintained by successive governments of whatever party". In company with most Liberals, some other social democrats and not a few "right wing" Tories he also advocates the development of cooperatives and worker ownership in industry and would like to see the British economy develop largely along these lines, without being very specific about exactly how this can be achieved.

There are certain inconsisten-There are certain inconsistencies in Dr Owen's book. For example, the economic and social policies of the German Social Democratic Party, which he lands, are in many ways highly corporatist. No doubt other members and supporters of the Council for Social Democraty will want to modify and cracy will want to modify and amplify some of his assertions. As an initial statement of philosophical intent for the new council, and for any new party that arises from it, however, this book is admirable. It should play a major part in helping to establish a distinctive social democratic position in British politics against which both the friends and enemies of the "Gang of Four" can test ther

Ian Bradley *Face the Future by David Owen, Jonathan Cape, £1250.

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New yords and new meanings

There is a new crunch

wivid new language.

"Cruich point", although
still vis popular in political
speech's by unoriginal hacks,
is so hiddle-aged that it slips off the lips without causing a rippidin the minds of its users or harers. It was an extension or herers. It was an extension in the Seventies of the idiom of something or somebody coming to the crunch (a distantial motoring metaphor?). "Aid some unti-Marketeers evel suspect that when it codes to the crunch, Mr Wilson himself will campaign for their in the Markete?" The stying in the Market", The Sin, 1974.

The crunch idiom is quite dd. Winston Churchill was using it just before the war:

For politicians who want a For politicians who want a newer clické, the phrase of the moment seems to be "the main thrust". As with all new political glang it is being adopted eagerly all over the world. I came across an ugy example from Australia the other day: "The main thrust of the Senator's visit to the Parific island was to inform moment seems to be "the main thrust". As with all new political slang it is being adopted eagerly all over the world. I came across an ugy example from Australia the other day: "The main thrust of the Senator's visit to the Pacific island was to inform himself of its readiness for himself of its readiness for pery surface of the cliche. independence".
Mrs Thatcher and her

Cabinet, and even Professors

Political Theory, have fallen into the magical thrull of "the main thrust". Whatever did we say before we discovered the dynamic new phrase, with its overtones of vigour and purpose and action, often camouflaging (eg in "the main thrust of our policy") the cbsence of any clear purpose or movement in any direction? Gist? Brunt? Purpose? Force ?

"Main thrust" rules for the present as the trendy political phrase. Must it "intrude" everywhere (compare Muriel Spark and Miss Brodie on education)? The Politics, ke journalism, is a geyser of hot air and new slang. Politics, like journalism, needs tokeep the attention of its audince or readers from wanderig by eruptions of wanderig by eruptions of vivid new language.

The phrase. Must it "intrude everywhere (compare Muriel Spark and Miss Brodie on education versus intrusion)? The normal pattern to be expected is that the epidemic will run its course and die down as soon as somebody discovers a special part of the property new phrase, which we pretty new phrase, which we shall all at once take up and

do to death. To have egg or jam on or all over one's face sounds to me as stale as a four-week egg in political and journalistic paralisms; as dated as the breakfast ogg that Crossbencher in the Sunday Express imagines lis victime tapping, before launching into a piece of extravagant speculation about them. The English breakfast has moved on since the phrase was laid in the Thimies.

was laid in the Thirties.

Keep an eye open for levantine coming in to fashnetaphor. Item, The Observer Whether Spain will be last month: In sharp conillowed to find its way back to last month: In sharp consanity and health depends conservative Conferences, upon the general adjustment Labour's agenda is a levanting or outcome of the European mixture of emotions, amendments and composites, fiercely argued over by a bewildering assortment of individuals, with

Philip Howard

LONDON DIARY

Bringing Labour in from he could be offered the same front bench role as that put before William Rodgers, in charge of regional affairs. That would give Benn the chance to the shadow's

Whisper who dares, but the arrival of Tony Bean in the shadow cabinet-albeit by the back door left open by the hurriedly departing William Rodgers-is almost certain to he good news for those who believe in open government, or at least shadow government. campaign will doubtless con- rebellious right-wingers. tinue at the shadow cabinet last night. While Michael Foot, to be made to swear an oath of the party leader, has yet to allegiance to the shadow cabigive him a job, I look forward net." with my squad of trusty moles

given, a shiver is running down

speak on a particularly wide range of policies, covering economics, industry, employ-ment and almost anything else you care to name.

Last night's prediction from Westminster, however, was that that would not be the case-There was also a feeling of rather less than universally Benn has long protested that the minutes of shadow cabinet meetings have never been circulated, not even among shadow ministers. His among shadow ministers. His allegiance from the party's

I distinctly heard one shadow allegiance to the shadow cabi-

to being the first recipient of a copy of the minutes falling off the back of the duplicating machine.

As for the job he will be Liberal peer who for three chairman of the nowciven, a shiver is running down years was chairman of the now-the spines of some shadow defunct Health Services Board, ministers at the thought that has just been elected a governor

of Bupa, the largest of the private health insurance asso-

Lord Wigoder's job at the Lord Wigoder's job at the Health Services Board was to preside over the phasing out of National Health Service payheds under the last Labour government's legislation, and to apply the controls on private hospital development which that legislation laid down. The board was the decisions on which pay took the decisions on which pay beds should go out of the hands of the Socretary of State. Now he will be at Bupa, which has seed a near 50 per cent increase in subscriptions in the

nost two years and is busy building private hospitals to meet the demand.

Flying a Kite

British Airways Heilcopters, an offshoot of our troubled national airline, has taken the first firm steps towards its goal of building a major heliport deep in the London dockland. An application has been lodged with Tower Hamlets council for outline planning permission to develop a 52-acre site in the West India Dacks: lack Cameron Captain

managing director of BA Heli-copters, has been nurtuing for years the vision of a helicopter network, based only three miles cast of the City, linking London with Paris, Brussels and other major centres within a 250-mile radius. The present heliport at Battersea is much too small accommodate such grand

the development of a new generation of large helicopters with at least 68 seats. But such a machine is unlikely to be available before 1984, and even if full planning permission were granted the dockland heliport would not be built before then. This is a long-term plan. We have lodged our application to get agreement in principle and

The entire scheme rests on

to open up discussion", the company told me yesterday. The site, on a redundant dock which is to be filled in, heliport or no heliport, has distinct advantages apart from its proximity to a large potential business traffic: there is plenty of room for car parks and the like, and there are few dwellings nearby. But there are certain objections on the grounds of noise, nuisance and safety

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from those who live under the potential flight paths. Cameron and his supporters claim that such a service could halve the journey time between

the Stock Exchange and the Bourse, avoiding the trail out to Heathrow and the trek in from Charles de Gaulle airport. But as it is the price of fuel which rules the airways above all other considerations; and as it takes many more sallons to move a man in a helicopter than in a conventional aircraft, the entire scheme will have difficulty, to say the least, in achieving vertical take-off.

Eden revisited

Robert Rhodes James, who Robert Rhodes James, who was a junior clerk in the House of Commons at the time of Suez and Is now Tory MP for Cambridge, is to write a biography of Anthony Eden. James, whose previous works include biographics of Lords Rosebery and Randolph Churchill, was invited to the former Prime Minister's

the former Prime Minister's widow, Lady Ayon.

"I actually did go through the furnace with Eden during Suer", James said yesterday.

"I was very touched to be asked to write the biography. Lady Avon knows I did not agree with him on everything.

She wants an objective study."
But James fears that public interest in his finished work may be largely confined to his chapters on Suez, ". think it would be appalling if his whoie career is seen solely n terms of nae episode. Although I met him often I would jot claim I knew him well. But i did have a great affection and admiration for him; he was a truly tragic figure."

I do not think we shall learn the full Eden story from James's worthy project. It is to be published in 1984, three years before the expury of the 30-year rule which keeps the official paners relating to Eden's premiership from public view.

Hosing down

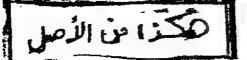
The first night audience which gathers at the Theatre Royal, Haymarker tonight to see Maggie South in the title role of Edna (Brien's Virginia will doubtless have other things to gossip about than the appear-Times reder suddened by the removal of what he calls the rich scalet stockings which

until recently adorned the pillars and lifted the spirits of passers-by.

The reason, according to Louis Michaels, one of the theatre's joint owners, is the presence of the thousands of pigeons, starlings and other hirds in central London. The new glossy black paint in apparently easier to clean; Mr. Michaels finds the details dis-tusteful, but clearly his relations with the capital's feathered friends are less than cordial.

I learn from the Roman Cath olic press that the continued publication of The Times is among the favours being sought through the intercession of Cardinal Newman, the Victorian divine and one-time contributor in oral lates columns. tributor to our letters columns. The request for heavenly assistance in our affairs (presumably from a devoted reader) has heen revealed by church offi-cials examining the case for Newman's canonization. I hope to be able to report, on or about Merch 16, that his cause has been greatly advanced.

Alan Hamilton



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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ISLAM'S NEGATIVE SUMMIT

The Islamic leaders as embled in Israel was a "figment of the Taif in Saudi Arabia have shown again that whenever an opportunity for progress toward a peace settlement opens up in the Middle East, the Islamic nations are prone to bungle it, preferably in grand style. In what is to be known as the "Mecca" Declaration", the Islamic leaders have called for a new jihad, or holy war, against Israel; urged Islamic countries to join the existing Arab League economic boycott of Israel; pledged more aid to the Palestine Liberation Organisation; and undertaken to liberate Jerusalem from Israeli control. "Jihad" is nowadays defined by Arab Teaders as a general campaign or struggle, including - as the declaration says—"all the means" at the Islamic world's disposal.

An economic boycott of the kind apparently envisaged by the Taif Summit could have damaging effects. While the Arab League boycott has not so far been very effective, if the Saudis and other powerful Islamic states were really to broaden the boycott and give it extra muscle-for example by hlacklisting Western firms who deal Israel — their sanctions with could have some impact.

The Saudis, indeed, appear to have taken the lead in adopting a hard line against Israel. It was last August that Crown Prince Fahd first called for a jihad, on the grounds that "moderation" had brought the Arab world no benefits, and that peace with

imagination". Last week he said it again, dismissing Camp David as an "illusion", and calling on the new Reagan Administration in the United States to abandon the Camp David framework.

There is undoubtedly a case for critically examining and subsequently modifying Camp David. Indeed, it has been and is being critically examined by the parties involved, not least by the new administration in Washington, which—like the Israelis and Egyptians—is disturbed by the lack of progress over Palestinian autonomy. Yet it is precisely this re-examination at a critical moment in Middle East history which makes the timing of the Taif statement so inept.

Not only is there a new American Administration which is still working out its approach to the Middle East, there could also well be a change of government in Jerusalem by the summer. The Israeli Labour Party-which seems likely to the general electionpromises to be much more flexible and open-minded on the Palestinian question than the Begin Government has been. The Labour Party leader, Mr Shimon Peres, has repeatedly held out the prospect of an arrangement with Jordan over the West Bank, leading ultimately to an Israeli withdrawal and the establishment of a Palestinian authority. The European powers, in the meantime, are pursuing the idea of involving the PLO in peace talks, a process which may well he taken farther in the summer, when a European-Arab meeting

including the PLO is due to be held at Foreign Minister level. It may be that the Islamic

nations have assumed the Reagan Administration to be pro-Israeli, and have given it up as a lost cause. Yet the latest signs, if anything, point in quite the other direction. Only this week a State Department spokesman condemned the continued building of Jewish settlements on the West Bank as "unhelpful", If the Islamic nations had tried to Capitalize on this endency in Washington, they might have assisted the emergence of an even-handed American policy under Mr Reagan. As it is, the hardline attitude they have adopted at Taif, is almost calculated to reinforce American suspicions about alleged Islamic intransi-

בייכי and irrationality. Similarly, King Husain of Jordan's categorical rejection at Tail of the Israeli Labour Party's Jordanian option " makes plain what would have been better left ambiguous, at no obvious gain to Jordan itself. As Mr Peres pointed out during his visit to London last week, statements on the West Bank by King Husain "should not always be taken at face value". The hardline rhetoric of Taif will not necessarily be translated into hardline action. None the less the moderate Islamic states-including both Jordan and the host country, Saudi Arabia-have quite unnecessarily made it much more difficult for themselves to contribute to and take advantage of what could be the most promising year for peace in the

ON THE BANKS OF THE RUBICON Realignment, radical centre, other member of the party that

social democracy-whatever the creature now in the womb of British politics is to be called, the period of gestation is proving lengthy and the delivery promises to be painful. The Liberal Party, which has been musing on the event with pleasurable expectation since Mr Grimond's day, is suddenly ill-prepared now that the event is upon it. In a party political broadcast last night Mr David Steel did not know who stood in most need of encouragement, the Labour breakaways or the Liberal separatists. Mr Cyril Smith has put himself at the head of that section of opinion in the Liberal Party which would have their leaders do nothing to facilitate the establishment of a fourth party. Three is enough. If Labour refugees are heading for the centre they will find the ground already occupied. Let them become Liberals. Liberals would be surrendering their own interest if they conspired with any new organization with a view to alliance or a systematic electoral

Mr Steel does not see the matter like that in black and white. Doubtless he is as keen as any

he should play the leading role in whatever new political group-ing comes into being. But he hasa better sense of reality than to expect prominent Labour. refugees to take out membership of the Liberal Party there and

then. Temporary if not perma-

neat accommodation must be

found in a half-way house. In his broadcast Mr Steel spoke of "an alliance to fight the growing extremes of Right and Left together at the next election. "If the Social Democrats' valuable experience of government is added to our nationwide community campaigning experience. I believe we could prove an unstoppable combination at the next general election". But he was careful to add that whether the Liberals. can offer such an alliance "is something for my party as a whole to decide". To judge from tie evidence of opinion polls Mr Steel's vision of the opportunity now presenting itself is one shared by a large, perhaps major, slice of the electorate. But it cannot be taken for granted his party wholeheartedly, or con-stituency by constituency, will endorse that view. He cannot at this stage promise Labour MPs

who may be about to take the plunge that they would have official Liberal backing for reelection as social democrats.

And the plunge is in uncom-

Middle East for some time.

fortably slow motion. Nothing excuses the abusive language reportedly thrown around in yesterday's meeting of the national executive committee. But the position that has now arisen is very peculiar. Mrs Williams belped to write and Mr. Bradley has endorsed the Limehouse manifesto. In launching the Council for Social Democracy they stop short of raising the standard of a new party, but unmistakably point themselves in that direction. They do not disguise an intention to set up in opposition to the Labour Party, which they now regard as irredeemable, yet there they sit on its inner council. Mr Rodgers, who bas resigned from the shadow cabinet, and Dr Owen, who did not stand for it, were conscious of the incongruity. Yet none of them is actually off and away. They have to move together, and naturally MPs with long standing local connexious need time to make their personal explanation. But this is a very trying time of ambiguity and the shorter they can make it the

MR BOTHA SEEKS ENDORSEMENT

The election which Mr P. W. Botha has called for April 29 is meant to settle the struggle for power within the Nationalist party rather than give the South African voters a choice between real alternative policies. The South African parliament does not legally have to end until late next year, and the Nationalist party has an overwhelming majority which will not be significantly (if at all) reduced. Mr Botha is simply engineering a vote of confidence in his own leadership within his party. To the mass of the unenfranchised non-white population it will appear a mere ritual of the boss tribe that has scant relevance to their aspirations.

Twenty-two by-elections are pending but the atmosphere at by-elections is different and would certainly permit the airing of divisions within the Nationalist ranks as well as growing criticisms of the prime minister by some of his col-leagues and by his predecessor, Mr Vorster. Mr Botha can say that by-elections would not provide an adequate opportunity to bring into the House those memhers of his cabinet who were given office from outside parliament after the cabinet reshuffle in August. Among them are the ministers of defence, education and commerce. He evidently prefers to bring them into the House in the revivalist fervour of a general election fought to strengthen the government against the "total onslaught" of government the outside world.

Discontent has been gaining momentum among the hardline members of the party orchestrated by Dr Andreas Treuer-

nicht who was demoted to minor office in the cabinet reshuffle. He has deepened an alliance Vorster and Mr Louwrens Muller, a former minister, to oppose Mr Botha's leadership-possibly more on account of a dislike of his personal style than on the visible results of his policies. Mr Vorster seems to hope for a come-back. Ironically, one of the methods chosen to weaken Mr Botha's ascendancy is to seek to involve him with the very scandals of the "Muldergate affairs" which forced Mr Vorster to retire from the presidency in disgrace.

The major aim of Mr Botha's policy is, or was, to associate the coloured and Asian minorities with the whites in a consultative presidential cabinet - with limited scope to advise on further constitutional change but to grant no comparable recognition to the black community. Twenty-five years ago such a plan to divide the nonwhite races, and to associate the non-white minorities with the whites in the power structure, might have succeeded. Today the coloured and Asian leaders will not cooperate unless the blacks are offered equal status. Putting non-white placemen in the new council will deceive nobody. So far the plan (presumably to Dr Treuernicht's satisfaction) has failed. The only question is whether, after a successful election, Mr Botha would defy his right wing and offer the blacks

a place in the council. For the rest, Mr Botha has made great play with the modification of apartheid in practice. The reality is less impressive than the propaganda. It irritates

the party verkramptes, but they know that behind this screen, Mr Botha has increased state control over political expression by everybody else. The black press has been silenced, and the freedom of the white, mainly English-language, press is being progressively circumscribed. Mr Botha's aggiandisement of the executive role and the security apparatus has eroded even the role of the Nationalist-dominated parliament. Whether there has been any liberalization of nonwhite trade union functions has very much to be proved.

By side-stepping the UNsupervised one-man one-vote election in Namibia Mr Botha has also removed another criticisin that his party malcontents: might otherwise make. There is little in his actual record at this stage to upset any but the most verkrampt of voters. His vaguely radical talk on the other hand meets a widespread white feelespecially among young Afrikaners, that there must be some change, if nor too soon or too much. He has neatly seized the last moment in which to peddle a dream of painless and riskless change which in another year may be unsalable even to the South African white mentality. Yet even if the election serves only to strengthen Mr Botha's position, it will provide a chance for the progressives in opposition to voice and define a better policy for South Africa than the Botha or Treuernicht alternative. The opposition cannot win, but they should receive as widespread a hearing as possible, with all the help that western free institutions can

has a number of extremely important tasks including the system of tion of redundancy payments and other measures such as the Job ing out in particular that of the approximately 22,000 staff of the 19,000 are involved with the con-siderable task of the administration and payment of unemployment benefits, a burden they seem likely to bear for some time to come.

House of Commons.

January 19.

How the Labour Party makes its decisions

From Lord Paget of Northempton, became 75 per cent for the Parlia-

Sir, There seems to have been some confusion as to recent events at the Labour Party conference. The Labour Party is a federal body and has every right, if it be so inclined, to elect a leader and there is nothing odd that it should use its traditional decision-making machinery, that is to say the count-ing of the block votes of the trade union barous.

Equally clearly the Labour Party has no right to choose leaders for its constituent members. It cannot appoint or elect the secretary general of the TUC or of the great unions or for that matter the chair-man or secretary of the humblest ward Labour Party. Still less can it elect the leader of the parliamentary party for this is something which the parliamentary party is required by its rules to do for itself at the heginning of each parliament-

ary session. Our constitution is jealous of the independence of its MPs and for an external body to appoint a function-ary to direct and control the parliamentary activities of MPs, or to draw the public salary and exercise the rights of a Leader of the Opposition, or (worse still) to assume the office of Prime Minister would be grossly unconstitutional and a flagrant breach of parliamentary privilege. mentary privilege.

The parliamentary leader will continue to be elected by the parliamentary party in accordance with its rules. It is not necessary that he should be the same person as the party leader. In Germany

as the party leader. In Germany
Herr Brandt is the party leader and
Herr Schmidt the parliamentary
leader and Chancellor.

When the Queen forms a new
government she will not be concerned to find who commands the
confidence of the new Labour Party
electoral college (it might indeed
take a long time before this could
be found out). She will summon
the parliamentary leader who comthe parliamentary leader who commande a parliamentary majority. This will leave the party leader free to attend international socialist con-ferences and to preside over commissions considering the needs of the Third World without being distracted by the sordid considera-tions pertinent to the day-to-day tasks of governing this country for these will be left to the parliamentary leader who accepts the

office of Prime Minister.

I would suggest therefore that the Limehouse pinks or whatever they choose to call themselves should stop panicking and get on with their jobs within the great party to which they owe their careers.

Yours sincerely, House of Lords.

From the General Secretary of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers

Sir, May I correct Lord Underhill's use of the word "incomprehensible" to describe my union's conduct (January 27)? Trade union democratic procedures are too sacred to be prostituted by any horse-dealing for political ex-

pediency.

There are no so-called "trade union barous" in our union; our structure makes this impossible. Our rank-and-file policy conference agreed to make an input into the party's commission in which they advocated the status quo on the

Party leadership issue.
The commission fudged the issue; thereafter, the party conference, by a wafer-thin questionable majority, decided to change the system. We accepted this freak decision, and again recalled our rank-and-file conference, who decided that any change should reflect this wafer-thin decision and, hence, our policy

The Aianta frescoes

From Mr and Mrs Cyril Iles

Sir, Earlier this month when we

visited the world famous rock-cut temples of the Ajanta Caves in India we were dismayed and shocked by the conditions prevail-ing there. Owing to a failure in the

electricity supply we were unable to see the frescoes in the Vibara

to see the frescoes in the Vibara Cave no 1, whilst the lighting in the other caves was poor. The atmosphere within the caves was polluted and it was obvious that these frescoes were deteriorating rapidly. Crowd control was virtually non-existent and swarms of

bored schoolchildren, admitted free, added to the congestion.

Our Indian friends, particularly our guide, agreed that these paint-ings at Ajama, which possess for

Asia the same significance as Italian

frescoes, will perish unless imme-diate action is taken to ensure their preservation. It has even been

suggested that they should be

losed whilst air conditioning and

It is surely a matter of inter-

national concern that these unique arristic treasures should be saved

improved lighting is installed

Yours sincerely,

CYRIL ILES,

MARY ILES,

Linton Hills.

North Devon.

international law.

nor honout.

R. D. BRITTAIN,

Sincerely,

Box 5474,

Arabian Gulf.

January 23.

Bahrain,

Hostages agreement

From Projessor R. D. Brittain

Sir, I note that the Reagan Admin-istration has said that it will borour

the agreement signed by the

Carter Administration as long as it conformed to United States and

It is a principle of United States,

international, and national law that

agreements extracted under duress are void. There is no reason to

honour this agreement. To honour

it would help set the precedent that

agreements under duress are valid.

The more than can be done to reestablish the rules of inter-

national law and diplomacy the

better. If it be necessary to abide

by the points agreed for reasons of

but it is required by neither law

lobal politics, then let that be said,

Welcombe,

Bideford,

mentary Labour Party and only 10 per cent for the trade unions.
Whatever political manoeuvring went on at Wembley, a trade union executive cannot sobotage such an expensive and democratic procedure

or decision as ours. Of course the Wembley decision reached is undefensibly illingical and will cause irreparable damage to the party's electoral chances dependent, of course, on now far away the election is and the extent to which the present Government can restore economic stability before then : but may I also remind all that if those who voted 50-25-25 per cent had remained loval to this decision and voted as we did in the final vote against the 40-30-30 per cent, then the status one would have

method. "Where there is no vision the people perisheth." Yours, etc.

prevailed, as indeed is the proper

JOHN BOYD. malgamated Union of Engineering Workers. 110 Peckham Road, SE1J. January 27.

From Councillor Olive Gibbs Sir, I, as a hard-working member of the Labour Party at constituency level, would have more respect for the so-called principled stand of Mrs Shirley Williams against the trade union block vote were it not for the fact that she, herself, owes her seat on the NEC, and always has done, to that very same vote! Yours faithfully, OLIVE GIBBS,

Leader of the Labour Group. County Hall, Oxford January 24.

From Lord Shawcross, QC Sir, The current controversy within the Labour Party and the moving letters in your columns from Sir Leslie Murphy (lanuary 21) and Mr Michael Pickering (January 27) recall the circumstances in which I myself, now many years ago, allowed my membership in that party to large

that party to lapse.
I joined the Labour Party (no doubt for sentimental and humanitarian rather than ideological reasons) when I was 17, and I was proud to be a member of Mr Attlee's Administration, which I think will be regarded by history as having been a good and an honest one. But hefore that Administration came to its end, and because of the contacts which I had and subsequently maintained with trade unions, I had become concerned at the steady and systematic infiltra-tion of Marxists into the con-stituency parties and into trade unions, where they have succeeded (because they are dedicated) in exerting an influence quite disproportionate to their numbers, which

remain very small. From time to time I made my view as to this public but found few shared my fear and I was subjected to the familiar criticism of seeing "reds under the beds". seeing "reds under the beds". Now, of course, they are openly well on top of the beds and their aim is to keep the whole mattress to themselve

I probably should have fought on, but felt my rather lone voice was ineffective. Sadly distillusioned, and although I had been assured of a very high office in any future Labour government, I retired from the Commons, gradually drifting away from the Labour Party altogether. I was included in the second small list of (non-political) life peers. I had intended to take some small part in the work of the House of Lords, from the cross benches, for I had not joined any other party. But my occasional interventions critical of left-wing

and doctringire policies met, although privately, with such bitter and personal attack from people who had been my old friends and colleagues and whom I respected that I felt perhaps weakly, I had

better remain on the sidelines. But the present is no time to remain silent. I am convinced that the proposals likely to be adopted the Labour Party for the reselection of candidates for Parliament, the selection of the parliamentary leader (and thus possibly of the Prime Minister) and the hinding force of Labour conference decisions upon members of Parliament will completely destroy the nature of our parliamentary institutions as hitherto traditionally accepted. Although spoken a very long time ago, the words of Edmund Burke in this matter ought still to be heeded and followed. They were indeed in effect endorsed by the Committee of Privileges, with a Labour majority, quite early in the Attlee Administration when it rejected the notion that a member of Parliament was the delegate of the trade union which "sponsored" him or that a trade union cany more than the Steel Board) was allowed to bring pressure upon a member, In his famous speech to the electors of

Eristol, Burke said:

Parliament is not a congress of ambassadors from different and hostile ambassadors from different and hostile interests; which interests each must maintain as an agent and advocate, against other agents and advocates; but Parliament is a deliberature assembly of one pation, with one interest, that of the whole; where, not local purposes, not local prejudices ought to gaide, but the general good resulting from the general reason of the whole. You choose a member indeed; but when you have chosen him, he is not member of Bristol, but he is no member of Parliament."

Is the whole of this really very old hat? I hope not, for it is certainly what the mass of the electorate expect. Yet I fear that the commendable proposal for a Council for Social Democracy (which should be widely supported) will not be able to prevent this will not be able to prevent this ideal of Parliament falling into complete despetude unless the riajor political parties, not least for their own preservation, accent simple system of electoral reform which would enable the vast numbers who yearn for a non-partisan approach to our problems to record their votes in a way which would give them some degree of propor-tionate representation in the Com-

Many opinion polls have shown this to be the wish of the majority. If some such system is not intro-duced and before too long, we (although I shall not then be amongst those present) may eventually see the political pendulum ceasing to swing between the two parties, as they now complacently regard as lively, and getting srick on the left. The electorate will then wake up—too lete—to find that the electoral system has been altered to provide for the "single list" of candidates drawn up by the ruling party caucus, which regarded as the true "democracy" in the totalitarian countries. It can

Yours, faithfully, HARTLEY SHAWCROSS, January 28.

From Miss Catherine Morton Sir, After Saturday, are we to begin speak of the Labour and Unionist Party? Yours faithfully, CATHERINE E. MORTON, The Studio, Chaldon Herring, Dorchester, January 26.

Tongue-tied From Mr Khalid Hasan

Sir, I beg leave to bring to your attention an instance of racial discrimination involving both Amnesty International and the Commission for Racial Equality.
On November 10 last year

Amnesty International advertised the post of an "English language editor" in The Guardian and the UK Press Gazette, listing "mother tongue English" as an "essential" tongue English" as an "essential" qualification. The inference appeared to be obvious, namely that only those whose mother tongue was English could be relied upon to perform the functions the posi-tion entailed. The functions, I may add, consisted in the main of edit-ing and rewriting Amnesty reports. After consulting the Race Rela-tions Act 1976 and being reasonably satisfied that this was a clear viola-tion of section 29 of the Act, I made a formal complaint to the CRE, charging Amnesty Interna-

tional with having contravened the Act and requesting the CRE to initiate proceedings. I have now received a letter, dated January 15, from one Mrs Glenda Thomas, of the employment investigation section of the commission, informing me that they propose to take no action in this matter. I would like to quote, a

few excerpts. The letter says: "Under section 29. of the 1976 Race Relations Act, it is unlawful to publish an advertisement which indicates, or might reasonably be understood as

Indicating, an intention to dis-criminate on the grounds of race, colour, nationality or ethnic or national origin. It is not only un-lawful to publish advertisements which indicate an intention to dis-criminate directly on these grounds, but it is also unlawful to advertise an intention to discriminate indirectly, which the Act defines as applying a requirement or condition which, whether intentionally or not, adversely affects one racial group considerably more than another and cannot be justified on non-racial grounds. Enforcement of the adver-tisement provisions of the Act is

responsibility of the CRE. "I understand from Amnesty International that the nature of the work was such that anyone with English as their second language would not have the subtlety of language which would enable them to perform the tasks as well as someone who has English as their

first language." I have no desire to labour the point I made in my complaint. It is histantly clear from the excerpts quoted above that both Amnesty International and the CRE do not high. think that anyone whose mother tongue is not English is capable of understanding the "subtlety" of the language. One only wonders what would happen were V. S. Naipaul or Ioseph Conrad to apply for the position. Yours faithfulle. KHALID HASAN,

South Harrow,

Music in education From Mr K. M. L. Benson

Sir, Thank you for publishing two such excellent letters under the heading "Instrumental in educating the young" as those from Mr and Mrs Driver and the Precentor of Eton College (January 21).

There is firm evidence that

early exposure to music helps a when he comes to learning how to read: deprivation may delay or even inhibit a child's ability to learn to read. Early reading difficulties account for many subsequent schooling problems and may lead to deviant behaviour and

. Music is not an optional extra a rop-dressing: it is basic to any true education, providing, as it does, a means of expression for both reason and emotion. For growth a child must find ways of expression of which language arguably the most sophisticated. For

some, the dyslexic for example, language may present great diffi-culties: for them art and music may be the keys which help to unlock the dark world of frustration which may arise because language appears to present insuperable difficulties.

I write from the vantage point of a school which happens also to be the Choir School of Guildford Cathedral, with demonstrable benefits for all its pupils, whether choir members or not. I have written only of what may be described as the narrowly utilitarian benefits of music for all children but these are compounded innumerably by those bone wrote (January 21). Yours faithfully,

K. M. L. BENSON, Headmaster, Lanesborough Preparatory School, Maori Road,

Mr Murdoch's bid for The Times

From Mr Geoffrey Robinson, MP for Coventry, North-West (Labour) Sir. Disquiet is bound to continue following yesterday's debate in the House of Commons (report, January 28) on the purchase by Ruperr Murdoch of The Times and The Sunday Times newspapers.

The circumstances in which the The circumstances in which the sale has taken place—the tight deadline set by the Thomson Organisation, the apparently preferential treatment afforded to the Murdoch organization, the incompatibility between the financial cal-culations in the Warburg prospectus and the Department of Trade's assessment, the narrow retrospec-tive basis (only 11 months' trading) on which the Department of Trade has judged The Sunday Times as not being a going concern and thus avoided a reference to the Mon-polies Commission—all of this has created a situation of confusion and suspicion that must be cleared up as much in the interests of the news-papers concerned as for any other reason, Indeed, it was precisely for this reason that The Sunday Times courageously recommended a reference. It is equally if not more important for The Times, given its unique position in public life.

The Government will not, of course, reverse its decision, When is required, therefore, is the full disclosure of all financial docu-ments and legal oninion. Only in this way can the public be satisfied that this important transaction has been handled with due propriets and fairness. It is an occasion where proper behaviour must be seen an have been observed and the public assured that the right judgment has been arrived at.

Yours, etc. GEOFFREY ROBINSON. January 23.

From the Editor of The Sun Sir. Journalists of The Times and The Sunday Times, are approach in a state of rare encirement over Mr. Murdoch's "guarantees" on editorial independence.

At The Sun we find this amusing. For 11 years I have enjoyed presselv the freedoms which your colleagues so eagerly sought and so

carily wen. who think otherwise: I should add that The Sun's wholehearted support for the Tories in the 190 general election was not dictated by Mr Murdoch. That policy was decided by a "consortium" of senior journalists, who did not lile what was happening to the Labor:

We may have been a little sher! of our time We were most certain." rat intimidated. Yours faithfully, TARRY LAME.

The Sum. 30 Bouverie Street, EC4. January 28.

The Pope in Britain

From the Reverend P. M. Hawkirs Sir. I would have thought that canon B4 gave sufficient powers to authorize such form of service on the occasion of the proposed visit the Pope to Canterbury, for which no provision is made in the Rook of Common Prayer, as may

be deemed appropriate.

It must be remembered that the "Mass" previous to the Reformation was "reformed" at the Council of Trent and again at the Second Varican Council. It is not now so very different from our own Alter-

raditionally offered the hospitality of its altars to Household its altars to terbury Cathedral itself, and to Lutherans, Roman Catholics, Orthodox and Pentecostalists in various churches in this diocese to my own knowledge. It seems only right to treat the Pope with the same love that Christ offered to all men-Yours faithfully, PETER M. HAWKINS.

The Vicarage, Lev Top Lane, Allerton. Bradford West Yorkshire.

Fall from grace From Mr P. D. Hudson

Sir. It used to be said that a picture was worth a thousand words. Fortunately, your paper has generally preferred the certainty of the written word to the risk of misinterpretation that a casual glauce at a photograph usually carries. Surprisingly then that your edition of January 24 should carry picture, spread across four plumns, of former President Carter lying sprawled on the ground having apparently tripped whilst jugging. What lengthy description was this picture intended to replace, or indeed what point was it meant to illustrate? We were informed in the caption

that Mr Carter quickly recovered and resumed his exercise. Would not then a picture of this latter event been better news, or is there something particularly unique about the misfortune of an ex-President, one which all of us must have experienced at some time? Yours etc.

PAUL D. HUDSON. Littlebourne Road. Maidstone, Kent. January 26.

A case to rest?

From Miss Susan Downes Sir. As a law student who spends what seems to be a large proportion of an already heavy course learning "the law according to Lord Den-ning," on top of "the" law I, for one, would be quite relieved and glad to wish him a happy retire-

Yours, etc. S. M. DOWNES, Dinam House. Meadowslea Hospital, Penyffordd, Chester. January 22.

Case for economy

From Mr Nicholas Scott, MP for Lhelsea (Conservative) Sir, In his generally justified real in "the hunting of the quango" I fear my colleague Philip Holland muy

have misled your readers in his letter (January 19). As chairman of the Conservative . Backbench Employment Committee I see a great deal of the work done by the Department of Employment and the Manpower Services Commission which have complementary but distinct roles; both incidentally have played their full part in the

improvement in manning levels to

which the Government has set its The Manpower Services Commission has executive responsibility for the whole fabric of the training and employment services which are of key importance in our economy and they administer most of the special measures which help those affected by unemployment, particularly the much expanded Youth

Opportunities Programme. The Department of Employment on the arber hand, far from having responsibility simply for public relations and the issuing of work permits as Philip Holland suggests,

industrial tribunals, the administra-Release Scheme. It is worth point-Department of Employment nearly Yours truly, NICHOLAS SCOTT,

Some fresh ideas for frozen fish



Shona Crawford Poole

No fish tastes better than the one you hooked yourself, nearly lost, landed triumphantly and cooked in the open air while its sparkling scales were still 10 time brighter than anything 10 times brighter than anything you will see on a fishmonger's

most fish which is why fish from the freezer is such a boon. Because it is frozen so soon after it is caught it can be, and often is, a much better bet than fresh fish which is not as fresh as it might be. Good fishmongers, like rural bus services, are thin on the ground and becoming fewer and further between all the time. The pity of this is not that frozen fish is necessarily inferior, but that the variety of types available is so restricted and anything much igger then a small trout has to be cut to fit a packet. The following recipes make the most of what is in those

Creamed coconut flavours and thickens the elusively spiced Blocks of unsweetened coconut are sold by

White fish curry Serves 4

1 small onion, finely chopped 1 clove garlic, finely chopped 2.5cm (lin) cube fresh green ginger, finely chopped. 2 tablespoons clarified butter or

peanut oil 10 whole cardamon pods 680g (11lbs) haddock or cod, skinned and cut in big

cubes 55g (20z) creamed coconut,

grated 350ml (12 fl oz) boiling fish stock or water

1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice Salt and freshly ground black pepper

4 tablespoons or more finely chopped coriander leaves or Using a pesile and mortar or

food processor, reduce the onion, garlic and ginger to a smooth paste. Heat the clarified butter or peanut oil in a heavy based fireproof casserole and. fry the paste gently for about five minutes. Add the cardamon pods and fry for a moment or two longer. Add the fish and turn it in the hot fat to seal each piece on all sides. Remove the casserole from the heat.

Stir the boiling stock or

water into the creamed coconut and stir it until the liquid is and stir it until the liquid is smooth. Pour this mixture over the fish, add the lemon juice, and season to taste with salt and freshly ground black pepper. Cover the casserole and cook it in a preheated cool oven (160°C, 325°F, gas mark 3) for 15 minutes, or until the fish is just cooked but not falling apart. Sprinkle with corian-

Asian food shops and by some der or parsley and serve with season the sauce to taste with Prawns in garlic butter supermarkets. a golden pillau. .

A glossy puff pastry lid signals that celebration fish pie is no ordinary pie, but a delicious mixture of shellfish and white fish in a creamy sauce sharpened with yogurt. (Yogurt haters will not know it is there, only that the fish tastes uncommonly good.) If prawns, crab or scallops are too expensive or not available, improvise with another mixture of fish and shellfish that adds

Celebration fish pie

up to about 680g (1½lbs).

Serves 4 55g (2oz) butter 55g (2oz) flour 150ml (½ pint) milk 150ml (1 pint) natural yogurt

150ml (2 pint) fish stock 340g (120z) cooked cod or had-110g (4oz) cooked prawns or mussels, shelled

110g (40z) cooked crab or lobster meat 110g (40z) cooked scallops 2 tablespoons finely chopped

spring onions Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste 370g (130z) frozen puff pastry, thawed

Melt the butter in a fairly large pan and stir in the flour. Cook the roux for a minute or two without allowing it to colour. Gradually add the milk, yogurt and stock, stirring constantly to make a smooth sauce. Cook the sauce on a low hear for a minute or two,

1 egg, beaten

Fold in all the fish, shellfish and chopped spring onions, and

pepper. Pour the mixture into a pie dish and set it aside to cool.

Roll out the pastry on a lightly floured surface and cut off a narrow strip long enough to edge the pie dish. Paint the lip of the dish with beaten egg and stick down the strip of pastry. Paint this strip with egg and cover the pie with pastry. Trim and knock up the Make a small hole in edge. the lid to let out the steam and hold it open with a tube of foil. Decorate the crust with pastry trimmings or leave it Brush the top of the lid (not the edges) with egg to glaze, and bake the pie in a preheated hot oven (220°C'

425°F, gas mark 7) for 20

mark 3) and bake it for a further 25 to 30 minutes. Prawns in sizzling garlic butter are a winner every time.
It is a first course that makes
something memorable of those
pathetically small cooked and shelled frozen prawns sold in nackers everywhere, Serve them n individual ramekins with lots of hor french or granary bread to mop up the butter.

450g (1 lb) frozen prawns thawed

170g (6 oz) butter 1 to 3 cloves garlic, very finely

chopped 1 teaspoon tabasco sauce

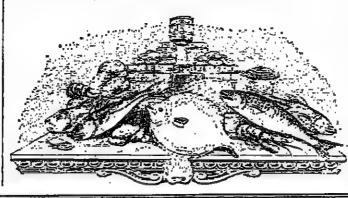
l tablespoon fresh lemon juice Salt and freshly ground black

6 tablespoons finely chopped parsley Last minute assembly and

cooking briefly in a hot oven are essential for this dish as over-cooking the prawns makes them tough. Drain the thawed prawns well and divide them between

six ovenproof ramekins. Set

minutes, then reduce the heat to moderate (160°C/325°F, gas the ramekins on a baking tray. Meit the butter in a small saucepan, Add all the remaining ingredients and bring it to the boil. Pour the garlic butter over the prawns dividing it equally between them. Transfer the prawns immediately to the top of a hot oven (220°C'425°F, gas mark 7) and bake them for 10 minutes, or until the butter is bubbling briskly again. Serve immediately.



This is where the world's finest single malt whisky is more respected than Glenmorangie. Produced since 1738 in a distillery

overlooking the Dornoch Firth, it remains today what it has always been. Virtually unrivalled for taste. And, hardly surprisingly, in somewhat limited supply.

Since 1894, however, the subtle pleasures of Glenmorangie have

been available on a more generous scale.

It is to be found in a blended whisky This is where it goes.

called Highland Queen. Produced very slowly, using time-honoured, not to say old-fashioned methods, Highland Queen contains a very high proportion of

malt whisky. It is, in short, to ordinary blends what Glenmorangie is to ordinary HIGHLA

single malts.

Prudence Glynn

Oh, is it art? It must be all right then

Prime Ministers presumably be | holders both should be able to | favour. In 1975 he spent a come accustomed to the touch | deduct from tax money spent | whole month in New York of the red hot iron, but even so it does seem hard for Mrs Thatther to have been branded as both a toughie and a philistine after her Cabinet re-shuffle. The latter accusation stems, it appears, from her demotion of the Arts portfolio, not just to outside the Cabinet and not even to a full minister, but to a mere Minister of State? as one commentator described

have never seen the slightest reason for the arts to rate any higher representation while design rates none. I would settle for a Minister for Design and Art rolled into one and he can be in the Cabinet or not for all I care. It might provide an opportunity for overdue reshuffling of entrenched departments, but for the time being why not twinned Mini-sters of State?

It has always struck me as quite extraordinary that in a nation, a large proportion of which is artistically purblind (you only have to look at the suffering on the faces of the audiences) we make so much fuss about the arts and we have arts councils and crafts councils all waving money about (our money). Yet in a nation quite extraordinarily gifted at design and innovation and invention the best we can do is the Design Council, which has no financial teeth and ought long ago to

have been fitted with dentures. Please do not misunderstand me. Of course I think the state should use our money to sub-sidize the finest in opera, ballet and theatre, all areas which involve many people and complicated settings and are besides a great eurichment to national life a source of national pride and a vast

invisible currency earner. But it is when we get to the selection of individuals for subsidy that I begin to fret since it is our money that they are dispensing, the state quite rightly establishes a network of computatees of the great and good, with here and there a token maverick or somebody in sandals to sit in judgment on the applicants. But what about those who do not apply, or for who for some reason do not impress the panel? What panel ever produced that fundamental gut feeling and confidence and trust that can be arrived at between two individuals?

Which is where design comes in. If you accept the premise that ideally individuals should be fostered by individuals, where do those lodividuals get the cash? The answer is that they generate it, through increased sales, more competitive processes, clever packaging, a breakthrough invention (at last, surped paint). In other

words, via better design.

deduct from tax money spent on the direct promotion of the arts provided it was not their main business. Of course the system would be wide open to abuse and the Inland Revenue would have a high old time trying to work out if a plate of eggs and bacon qualified for a rebate or was in fact merely the remains of breakfast. But even so I am sure it would work out a lot cheaper than all those committees, and also fewer talents would slip through the net. Even in this age of inferior taste, engendered by patronage at one removed, there are enough strong-minded and confident persons about to back their own judgment. All of these remarks can be

multiplied when it comes to the work of artists, craftsmen whose work overlaps the neat pigeon holes assigned by bureaucracy and flutters first around sculpture, albeit untraditional, has a peck at jewelry or a length of fabric before alighting on a series of anatomical drawings. One wonders how they would have coped with Leonardo da Vinci. . . Polly Hope, for ex-ample, who readers may remem-ber drew the graphic sketch of the Los Angeles Rams ballgame for this page (it was sold, sight unseen, to a Beverley Hills has had her clothes, robes, cos-tumes, however you describe magical tufts of beads and thick padded snakes of brocade crawling over shimmering silk dresses exhibited at the dresses exhibited at the National Theatre—Sir Peter

Hall believes in the cross pollination of the arts—but she also has textile lengths being sampled by Neiman Marcus. Besides drawing, she also paints. Audrew Logan is even more

difficult to pin down, except by his medium, which is mirror chips. He did experiment with glass fibre, and a huge hi-fi of ten foot arum lilies in his studio witnesses his efforts. He gave it up he says, because the fumes are very dangerous and one artist he knew killed himself with them. Logan, now 35, is apparently less exotic than he used to be in the days when he turned up at parties in rows of pearls. Mind you, he says that t is not he that has changed but that society (meaning me?) has become more receptive and less shockable. He also pointed out that this is the year of the Rooster and time for him to crow, and indeed he has just received his first grant of £2,000 from the Arts Council.

He was trained at the Oxford School of Architecture and is fully qualified but the work he really wanted to do, his amazing mirror chip jewelry, his "fun" objects which mix plastic with stained glass (done by himself) and his irreverent Having generated that wealth attitude to accepted standards not been chosen by a committee for themselves and their share- of taste were slow to find and paid for with their money.

whole month in New York trudging the galleries. At one, the owner just leafed through the portfolio and said "Laugh-

ing's out this year' Andrew Logan works in a sore of roof top greenhouse which peers into the back of Liverpool Street station. It suits his need for space and airiness, his fascination with wings and flight which for him mean freedom and optimism. Alas only one tiny part remains of wondrous works he made for the roof-garden at Derry and Toms when it was Biba. All the rest was destroyed. He sells mostly to private people and friends and once had a show in an art gallery which was a great success "because people thought it was art.", he laughs ruefullly "so they could under-stand it, label it with confi-dence." You see what I mean

about crises in personal taste.
James Rook is by training and craft a jeweller, and a very fine one, too, original, precise, amusing and understanding that most important modern need, which is to create impressive pieces which rely for their impression on design content not just intrinsic gem value, With everyone so nervous of being robbed he thinks this is essential "though I do wish more people would appreciate it," he says. "They still just buy investment jewelry and stick it in the bank."

Thea Cababra is an immensely practical girl for all her fuchsia wigs which do not startle Whitechapel at all. I might add. She makes shoes which are really art forms in themselves—remember - her palm-tree with the silver heel?

—and she finances the everyday needs of life by commissions from eulightened firms such as Clarks who bave recognized that high flights of fancy are necessary to a spirit if it is to revitalize a prosaic range. Otherwise everyone just says, "Oh, I've seen that one before."

Even if only a grain of the palm tree or the tiger magic rubs off onto the broader fitting section, it shows. Of the three I have described Thea would seem the easiest to slot in, and indeed she has been helped by the Crafts Council, but her most imaginative and rewarding work has been for private patrons.

If only there were more one would not have this ludicrous situation where in one South London borough they are taking on a writer in residence and biring a nice young artist to paint the ends of their houses while the ratenavers are baying at an increase in their rates. And I am sure that the good citizens of Lowestoft would have been quite happy with their drunken sailor statue if it had

Children's books Chronicling a revolution

Since reading began adults have tended to nurture a lasting affection for the books of ing affection for the books of their childhood, whether Fortunatus and his Wishing-cap or The School at the Chalet. About a hundred years ago, however, a different kind of affection arrived — the cherishing of children's books for their naive charm, their breath of temps perdu.

One of the first to exploit

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One of the first to exploit this new sensibility was a publisher Charles Welsh, who, in 1881, introduced a facsimile of the 1766 edition of Little Goody Two-shoes, a venture which he was later to follow up with some related bibliographical endeavours. A fellow enthusiast was Andrew Tuer, whose Leadenhall Press put out numerous "odde volumes" including his own rag-bags of Pages and Pictures from Forgotten Children's Books (1898-1899) and Stories from Oldfashioned Children's Books (1899-1900), and since that time the trade in reproducing "quaintly illustrated little treasures" has continued. Recently there have been such Tuer-ish compendia as Leonard. cently there have been such Tuer-ish compendia as Leonard de Vrie's Flowers of Delight (1965), which drew upon the holdings of the Osborne Collection in Toronto, and Nigel Temple's Seen and Not Heard (1970), sub-titled "a garland of fancies for Victorian children".

Recently, well-groomed for best-sellerdom by the Oxford University Press, there came the latest and most august volume in this tradition: A Nursery Companion "provided by Iona and Peter Opie" (58.95). Like its forebears it anthologizes both the text and the pictures of a number of the pictures of a number of antique children's books, but unlike them it has a narrower focus and offers a modest thesis

about its wares.

The subject of A Nursery Companion is the vogue for light-hearted, pretty colour-books that followed the immense success of The Comic Adventures of Old Mother Hubbard and her Dog which John Harris published in 1805. It contains 27 rare and delectable examples (all drawn from Mr and Mrs Onie's own collect. Mr and Mrs Opie's own collec-tion) which show the variety of ways in which publishers ex-ploited the new fashion. And in its engaging Introduction and Notes it puts forward a view that this wholly unexpected ebullience in a genre which had previously been noted for its grey didacticism was as much on behalf of adults as it was of children.



The Comic Adventures of Old Mother Hubbard and her Dog. Illustration from A Nursery Companion by Iona and Peter Opie. Oxford University Press.

vealed a potential for play in children's books, and for 20-odd years they came to be used odd years they came to be used not just as a vehicle for nursery rhymes like A Apple Pie or The House that Jack Built, elegant copies of which are reproduced here, but for a number of experiments in which adults enjoyed themselves in a new vein. Thus you find not only simple entertainments but also educational ones (Punctuation Personified), satirical ones (The Dandies' Rout—actually written by Caroline Sheridan "aged 11 years") and straight parlour games (if any game can be called straight with a name like Aldiborontiphosky-phorniostikos", which, as the Opies point out, has one letter more than the longest word in the Oxford English Dictionary.

The double audience that enjoyed these books when they

Oxford English Dictionary.

The double audience that enjoyed these books when they were first published will probably be the chief clientele for A Nursery Companion—its succes being most likely to have estime in those homes where purceases will exist companion. where nurseries still exist some-

where above the drawing-room.

Apart from the traditional rhymes, many of the verses are formal and stilted (even the limericks—the first of their kind—lack zest) and their elegant, coloured illustrations demand an attention that is sober rather than rumbustious. ras as much on behalf of dults as it was of children.

Old Mother Hubbard re- enjoy what the book is doing

—its illumination of a small corner of "the age of elegance", its chronicling of a notable revolution in the history of children's literature.

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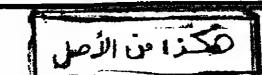
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history of children's literature.

But for enthusiasts knowledgeable in these matters the
presentation of the matterial
may come as something of a
disappointment, in a way that,
at their lesser level, Tuer and
De Vries were disappointing.
Its large format has been
designed to accommodate half
a dozen or more pages of its
component children's books on
a single page opening (in one
case getting a page sequence
the wrong way round), and the
result is that half the charm of
these small, individually-coceived volumes has disappeared. ceived volumes has disappeared (You can get a rough idea of what they were like through a number of individual facsimilies available from the Scolar Proces Press.

At the same time, for all the care that they have taken over the Companion's production, our modern technologists just cannot cope with the delicacy of engraved copper-plates, printed and a solvent ted one at a time and coloured by hand. Mr and Mrs Opie's book has a colourful charm of its own, true, but its matt-white pages with their lack of texture and their smooth printing are no equal to the choice ranks of John Harris's Cabinet of Amusement and Instruction

Brian Alderson





COURT CIRCULAR

SANDRINGHAM SANDEINGHAM
January 28: Major Shane Blewitt
had the honour of being received
by The Queen when Her Majesty
invested him with the Insignia of
a Member of the Royal Victorian
Order (Fourth Class).
The Queen was represented by
Major-General Lord Michael Fitzalan Howard (Massha) of the

In Howard (Marshall of the Diplomatic Corps) at the Requiem Mass for His Excellency Mr Arthur Secret (High Commissioner for the Republic of Malta in London) which was held in Westminster Cathedral this morning.

KENSINGTON PALACE Japuary 28: Princess Alice puchess of Gioucester, Colonelin-Chief, Royal Corps of Transport, today received Major-General
P. H. Benson on reliquishing the appointment of Representative Colonel Commandant and Majorrelinquishing the appointment of Colonel Commandant.

Birthdays today

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Captain Sir Ian Bolton, 92; MajorGeneral Sir George Burns, 70;
Lord Ferrier, 81; Lord Gregson,
7; Mr Paul Hodder-Williams, 71;
Major-General K. F. Mackay
Lowis, 84; Lord Rupert Nevill,
53; Sir Cecil Parrott, 72; the
Hon Fichard Stanley, 61; Air
Chof Marshal Sir Alasdair Steedman, 52; Mr George Thomas, MP,
72; Mr E. B. Trubshaw, 57; Air
Commodore F. West, VC, 85.

Mrs Antony Dunlop gave birth to mrs Antony Pulmb gave burn to twin daughters Anna-Belen and Marie-Claire, at Princess Louise Margaret's Maternity Hospital, Aldershot on Wednesday, January 28, 1981.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Michael Francis Fane will be held on Wednesday, February 4, at 2.30 pm, at St Michael's, Chester Square, London, SW1.

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Sir James Martin will be held on Wednesday, February 25, at noon, at the Church of St Clement Danes,

The infent son of Mr and Mrs Roger Eckersley was christened William Peter by the Rev Stanley Fisher at St Mary's, Holwell on February 25. The godparents are viscount Bledisloe, Mr Alick Rankin, Mr William Shand Kydd. Mrs Tom Hartley, Lady Hesketh and Miss Olivia Wentworth-Rump.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include: Str David Thomas to be British ambassador to Cuba.

Mr Michael Neubert, MP for Havering, Romford, to be parliamentary private secretary to Mr Michael Alison, MP, and the Hon Adam Butler, MP, Ministers of State. Northern Ireland Office. For Francis Avery Jones to be president of the British Digestive Foundation.

Piping the piper

James Galway, the flautist, called the tune on a specially-made f1.500 smoker's pipe which was awarded to him yesterday when he was elected "Pineman of the by the Pipe Smokers'

Today's engagements

Princess Anne attends rededica-tion of HMS Jersey, HM Naval Base, Rosyth, Fife, 11. Frincess Margaret attends pre-Base. Rosyth, Fife, 11.
Frincess Margaret attends première of The Jazz Singer in aid of Docklands Settlements, of which she is president, and the Variety Club of Great Britain, ABC Cinema, Shaftesbury Avenue, 8.05.
Exhibitions: Winners of the National Business Calendar Awards, 1981, Kodak Gallery, High Holborn, 9 to 4.45; New Faces, Bridish Crafts Centre, Earlham Street, 10 to 5.30.

The Gang of 32

This week's Times Educational

'Manifesto for Change' signed

by 32 leading figures in science, industry, the church, politics,

Supplement contains a

journalism, the arts and

The manifesto calls for 'a

vigorous transformation of

secondary education' and will undoubtedly evoke major public interest and discussion.

Find out who the signatories are

and what they have to say in

tomorrow's TES.

education.

Brunelmania-Isambard Kingdom

Poetry Centre, Earls Court Square, 7.30.

Talks: Guardi, Audrey Tyndall, National Gallery, 1; Art of the Oing, Frances Wood, 11.30; Royal Supremacy: Henry VIII and Elizabeth I, by Angela Cox, 1.15, British Museum; Fauvism, Sarah O'Brien Twohy, Tate Gallery, 1; Henry, Princa of Wales and the revival of the arts, Dr Roy Strong, Victoria

daughter of Mr and Mrs R. W. Wordley, of Leigh Woods, Bristol, and Winchmore Hill, London. Mr G. C. Kirby and Miss F. S. Woodroffe

Mr W. J. Whitton and Miss V. E. Wordley

Forthcoming

Mr E. P. M. Ogden

Miss R. M. Miles

The engagement is announced between Edward, son of Mr Michael Ocden, QC, and Mrs Ocden, of 22 Stanford Road, London, WS, and Rachel, daughter of Professor and Mrs H. A. D. Miles, of 37 Carpenter Road, Birmingham 15.

The engagement is announced be-tween John, son of the late Mr and Mrs K. W. R. Whitton, of Stone, Staffordshire and Vivienne.

Mr J. R. ff. Sorrell and Miss A. E. Jeanneret

marriages

The engagement is announced between Gerald, elder son of the late Licuteant-Colonel C. W. Kirby and of Mrs J. Kirby, and Sarah, daughter of Mr J. Woodroffe. OBE, and the late Mrs C. E. Woodroffe

Dr C. T. Brett and Mrs R. R. Yeadon

The engagement is amounced between Christopher Templeton, younger son of Brigadier and Mrs I. D. T. Brett, of Shalbourne, Wiltshire, and Rosaleen Ruth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs I. L. Bullock, of Tipton, West Midlands.

Mr T. Goode and Miss S. Vallance-Owen

The engagement is announced between Timothy, eldest son of Mr W. Goode and the late Mrs A. Goode, of Welwyn Garden City. and Sarah, elder daughter of Professor and Mrs J. Vallance-Owen, of 74 Osborne Park, Belfast.

The engagement is announced between Thomas, eldest son of Mr and Mrs T. J. Vaughan, of Moor Park, Northwood, Middlesex, and

Mr C. N. Halfhead and Miss F. C. Waterhouse

The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mr and Mrs N. Halfnead, of Beech House, Wildernesse Avenue, Sevenoaks, Kent, and Frankle, younger daughter of Commander T. H. Waterhouse and of Mrs M. Waterhouse, of Englewood Road.

Mr W. J. Hunt and Miss J. K. Wodehouse

The engagement is announced between John, elder son of the late Mr W. E. Hunt and Mrs B. Prentis and stepson of Mr J. B. Prentis, of Albury, Surrey, and Julia Katherine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A. B. Wodehouse, of Great Hyde Hall, Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire.

Marriage

Mr.O. B. S. Riviere and Miss C. R. Bennett The marriage took place on Sat-urday, January 24 at the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Selling, Kent, of Mr Oliver Byam Samuel Riviere, younger son of Mr and Mrs A. O. B. Riviere, of Sostead, Norfolk, and Miss Claire Rosa-mund Bennett, third daughter of

and Albert Museum, 6.30; Afghanistan 1980—a personal experience, Kester Eddy, Lancaster Gate, 8.15; Highlights of the British Museum, Conway Hall, Red Lion Square, 10; St Paul's Epistle to the Galatians, Michael Tapp, Christian Community, Glenilla Road, 8. Brutelmama—Isambara kingdoin Brunel and his achievements, King Street Gallery, King Street, Bristol, 10 to 7.30. Poetry: Pierre Garnier evening with Edwin Morgan, National Poetry Centre, Earls Court Square, 7.30.

Memorial services: Lord Coleraine, St. Margaret's, Westminster, noon; Professor Neville Coghill, St. Mary the Virgin, Oxford, 2.30. Latest wills

Latest estates include (net, before Coe, Mr Albert Henry, of West-gate-on-Sea, Keut, company direc-tor. £176,675 tor, £176,675
Crabtree, Mr William, of Pudsey,
West Yorkshire, surveyor and
valuer £298,571 Hadfield, Mr John, of Sheffield £163,758 Handley, Mr Isin Hamish, of Win-chester, chartered accountant

Hodgkins, Mr George Arthur, of Reigate, Surrey ... £294,429 Langer, Mimi, of Pembury, Kent £531,949

Maddever, Mr William Waliace Ronald, of Lawsball, Suffolk, farmer . £185,150 Narracott, Mr Robert Kendall, of Wanstead, London £293,653 Taylor, Dorothea Coltier, of Rye, Sussex £297,672

25 years ago

From The Times of Saturday, Jan 28, 1956 Earth satellite

From Our Own Correspondent

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, Jan 27.—It was announced today that the first of the
earth satellites to be launched by
the United States next year would
ascend from the Patrick Air Force
base on Banana River, Florida, and
move eastwards around the earth
in an orbit at an angle of 40
degrees to the equator. Dr Joseph
Kaplan, chairman of the United
States committee for the International Geophysical Year, said
that this orbit would enable most
nations taking part in the that this orbit would enable most nations taking part, in the geophysical year to observe the satellite visually and by radio. It will cover a band 5,250 miles wide of either side of the equator and, because of the earth's eastward rotation, it will appear to have been displaced 1,725 miles to the west on every one of its revolutions. As it is expected to remain in its orbit for two weeks to a in its orbit for two weeks to a month, according to the latest estimates it should pass at least once over most parts of the earth within 2,760 miles north or south of the equator. Today's announcement also discloses that the satellite will be larger than was first planned: its diameter will now be about 30in instead of the 20in originally announced and it will weigh 2lb 80z. Half this weight will be accounted for by instruments from which wireless signals will be constantly transmitted to the earth. in its orbit for two weeks to a

Quisling collection paintings sold for £10,700

The engagement is announced between Jeremy, elder son of Mr and Mrs A. D. M. Sorrell, of Clunes House, Toot Hill, Essex, and Audrey, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs George Jesuneret, of Rue de Chamblon, Yverdon, Switzerland. Nineteen Old Master paintings which graced the collection of Vidkun Quisling, the man whose name has become a synonym for traitor, were bought by a single unnamed private collector at Sotheby's vesterday. They cost him £10,700. Sotheby's would not yesterday disclose the identity of the buyer.

After the arrest and execution of Quising in 1945, his Russian-born widow Maria fought a long legal battle for the retention of their joint property which the Norwegian government intended to confiscate. She won her case on the ground that she had never

Year of Disabled stamps: The Post Office is commemorating the United Nations Inter-national Year of Disabled People by issuing

four stamps on March 25, each one illustrat-

ing a different aspects of the way the

disabled try to overcome their handicaps.

The 14p stamp features a blind person's

Luncheons

HM Government
Mr Peter Walker, Minister of
Agriculture, Fisheries and Food,
was host at a luncheon given by
Her Majesty's Government yesterday at Admiralty House in honour
of Senor Jorge Zorreguieta, Secretary of State for Agriculture of
Arrentida.

Argentina.

Hundred Guinea Club
A luncheon was held by the
Hundred Guinea Club yesterday
at Dukes Hotel. Mr Raphael
Dianogly was the host. Those
present wer:
Mr Brian Rix, Mr David Evans,
Miss Elspet Gray, the Rev Smon
Hass, Mr and Mrs Hugh Mudrhead,
Mr Bob Sabel, Mr Ronald Gerard,
Mr Norman Gerard, Mr Jim Yates,
Mr Raymond Pope, Miss Jane
Rogers-Coirman, Mr Barry Cryer,
Mrs Sue Begg, Mr Anthony Swainson, Miss Judith Chalmers, Mrs
Jane Sheridan, Mr Norman Cathie,
Mr Roy Agar, Mr Neil DurdenSmith and Mrs Caroline Sayer.
The club this year will be raising £15,000 for "Riding for the
Disabled" at Normansfield under
the chairmanship of Mr David
Evans.

Institution of Civil Engineers
The President of the Institution of

held a luncheon party on January 27. Those present were:

Films: The life and death of Steve Biko and Abaphuciwe: the Dispossessed, Africa Centre, King Street, 7. At her death in January, 1980 she left one fifth of her estate to her husband's brother and his daughter. The rest was bequeathed to a foundation to be administered by the Oslo Inner Missionary Society for the benefit of the poor by the Oslo Inner Missionary Society for the benefit of the poor of Oslo. The pictures were sold yesterday on their behalf.

The paintings sold yesterday were in the main an indifferent lot, mainly "school of" or "in the style of" named artists. The highest price that the mystery buyer was required to bid for an individual painting was £1,350; at this figure he correct an inc. this figure he secured an un-framed "Portrait of a man"

catalogued as "Durch school, seventeenth century" (estimate £400-£600). He had to pay the same price (estimate £400-£600) for a small panel of "The presentation of the Christ Child in the Temple", described as "Italian School, sixteenth century", However an unframed "Sant Sebastian" from the "Circle of Sebastian from the "Circle of Sebastian (estimate £300-£500).

The mixed property sale of Old Master pictures totalled 553,580, with 9 per cent unsold.

There were further echoes of the Nazi era at Phillips where a silver presentation charger was sold to an English private collector at £480. It was presented by Hermann

eminent racehorse owner at Hop-pegarten racecourse in 1937 and hears an inscription to that effect. Future unresolved: The future of one of Britain's few surviving paddle steamers, the Tatuershall Castle, remained unresolved after the vessel failed to reach its re-serve price at an autrich of the reserve price at an auction on the River Thames yesterday.

The bidding lasted less than two minutes, starting at £150,000 and ending at £300,000. But the owner, Mr Harry Childs, was confident the steamer will be sold

Stamp sale ends : A two-day sale of British stamps ended yesterday at Robson Lowe's Pall Mall rooms having realized £230,831...

Roman coin and gold ring found

A Roman coin worth £1,500 which escaped being melted down in the fourth century, and a Tudor gold ring were accidentaly lost and not indden, a treasure trove inquest jury decided at Chester yesterday.

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The two items, which were uncovered in an archaeological dig behind Chester town hall, would not be declared treasure trove, Mr Michael Rolloway, the West Cheshire coroner, said. Ownership would have to be decided between the finders. would have to be decided between the finders, the Grossenor Museum, and the landowners, the city and county councils,

The gold com dating from AD 353 was found in July, 1979 and the ring on June 24 last year but the inquest was delayed at the request of the museum's excavations team.

Mr Simon Ward, the director, said that the coin, which is worth £1,500, carried the head and inscription of Emperor Magnentius, a usurper who after the death of Constantine assassinated one of his sons, Magnentius was defeated and committed suicide in

defeated and committed surcide in AD 353.

Mr Ward said a metalwork crucible found close by had globules of gold adhering to it. He added: "It is speculation, but the soldiers might have decided it had become embarrassing to carry the coins with the Emperor's head on so they had been or's bead on so they had been melting them down into bullion."

Requiem Mass

Mr A. J. Scerri Mr A. J. Scerri
The Queen was represented by
Møjor-General Lord Michael Fizaalan Howard at a requiem Mass
for Mr Arthur J. Scerri, High
Commissioner for Malta, in Westminster Cathedral yesterday concelebrated by the Right ReyVictor Guazzelli, Father HeyAttard and Father Victor Camilleri. The Secretary of State for
Foreign and Commonwealth
Affairs was represented by Sir
Derek Dodson and the Diplomatic
Service by Mr T. L. A: Daunt.
Others present included:
Mrs Scarti (widow), Mrs L. Howell
and Mrs V. Johns S. Reese, Mr and
Mrs J. Williams, Mr and Mrs H.
Morgan, Mr L. Morgan, Mrs Davias,
Mrs Citron.
The Acting High, Commissioner for Morgan, Mr L. Morgan, rers and Mrs Citron. The Acting High Commissioner for Mains and Ars Cauci, Ambasadors, High Commissioners and other members of the Diplomatic Corpe, Lidy Greenhill of Rarrow, the Hon Disa Makalil, Bir Maurica and Lady Dormen, Lady Bingley, Mr S. Rampha (Segretary General of the Commonwealth Secretary Commonwealth Secretary Commonwealth Mains (Mrs. Dormen) with Mrs.

Chekhov play Cambridge for Chichester

Claire Bloom is to appear in Chekhov's The Cherry Orchard in this year's season at the Chichester Festival Theatre, which will tun from May 6 to September 19. Others in the cast will be Joss Ackland and Christopher Timothy; the play will be directed by Patrick Garland and designed by Maria Bjornson.

Maria Bjornson.

Tom Baker will appear as Oscar Wilde in Feasting with Panthers, a new play by Peter Coe based on the first of Wilde's trials; Aubrey Woods will play the prosecuting counsel, Edward Carson.

Two other productions are in a lighter vein: The Mitford Girls by Caryl Brahms and Ned Sherrin, and Underneath the Arches by Patrick Garland and Brian Glanville. ville.

The Mitford Girls, with sets by Stefanos Lazaridis and choreography by Sir Auton Dolin, will be in the style of a 1930s revue,

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guide dog; the 18p illustrates hands spelling out the word "deaf" in sign language; the 22p shows a chairbound disabled person approaching an incline, and

the 25p symbolizes the work of mouth and

foot artists. They are the work of Mr John

Smeatonian Society

Plumbers' Company

of Civil Engineers
The Smeatonian Society of Civil
Engineers last night held a dinner
at the Institution of Civil
Engineers, Professor A. W. Skemp-

ton presided and those present

Piembers' Company
The livery committee of the
Piumbers' Company held a ladies'
festival dinner at the RAF Club
yesterday. Mr R. S. Findlay presided, accompanied by Mrs
Findlay. The other speakers were
the Master, Mr David P. Thomson, Mr M. P. Hunt, Mrs R.
Mills and Mr L. Lockley.

Royal Society for Asian Affairs
Lord Greenidil of Harrow, president of the Royal Society for Asian Affairs, presided at the annual dinner field last night at the Savoy Hotel. The toast of the guests was proposed by Sir Arthur de la Mare and the High Commissioner for Malaysia remited. The toast of the society

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missioner for Australia and the president replied.

Gibbs, the designer,

The Lord Mayor of Westminster, Councillor Donald du Park Bruham, Sir Peter Gadsden, Sir Kennetii Cork, the Chief Execu-

tive of Westwinster City Council Mr David Witty, and Mr Robert Campbell, Secretary of the Institution of Civil Engineers.

Lord Byers entertained the London Athletic 'Club at the House of Lords for their annual diuner held last night. Mr Ian Davenport, president, was in the chair and the other speakers were Mr Squire Yarrow, President of the Amateur Athletic Association, Mr Derek Homfray-Davies and Mr Michael Pope.

The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress, with the Sheriffs and their ladies, were present yesterday at a dinner at the Mansion House given by the European-Atlantic Group is honour of Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for

Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs. Sir Frank Roberts, president of the group, was in the chair and the other speakers were the Lord Mayor and Lord Layton.

European-Atlantic Group

Dinners

Lord Byers

Honorary degrees are to be con-ferred on the following: DD: The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcle. Robert Runcie.

LLD: Foreign Secretary, Lord Carrington; D. Daube, director of the Robbins Nebrale and Forman Law Collection and Secretary of the Robbins Nebrale and Forman Law Collection and Law Collection and Carrington, Carrington California; Beffeley, DSoi G. E. Hutchinson, Emerius Steries, Provistor of Zoology, Yalo; M. F. Portiz, formerly cheman, Medical Research Council Laboratory of Molecular Biology, Cambridge,
Lin D. R. C. F. Aron of the Centre European de Sociologie Historique, Carrington des Hautes Eindes en Sciences, Sociales; Dang H. L. Gardner, Emeritus Morton Professor of English Literature, Oxford University.

John Ignatus Cronin, MA (NUI), PhD (Belf), has been appointed to the Chair of English.

Other appointments: Senior iccturer/consultant: K. G. Porter, BSc. MD (Self), MRCP (Lotters):

Hull Dr Gilbert Smith, reader in social administration and social work, Glasgow University, has been appointed to the chair of social administration.

Dr Michael Clarke, senior lec-turer in Department of Community Health, has been appointed to the chair of epidemiology.

Grapts Grans Area Health Authority; 220,000 to Dr. l. R. Edwards ut the Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics and Dr. G. Fancourt, for a survey of malmurition in rations with cardiac and respiratory failure: incidence and relationship to immune deficiency and infoction.

Science report

Medicine: New ideas on cancer of tumour promoters, substances which enhance the development of

By the Staff of Nature
Some new ideas are being injected into the intriguing debate about the causes of human cancer. The most widely accepted idea so far is that cancer is indiated by chemicals and other agents in the environment or diet that causes small changes, or mutations, in small changes, or mutations, in the genetic material. Convention has it that sooner or later those changes add up to or later those changes add up to cause the affected cells in the body to proliferate wildly, giving rise to cancer. But Dr John Cairns, until recently director of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund's Laboratory at Mill Hill, thinks that is unlikely in most cases because the body could repair such changes before cancerous growth began.

He thinks that most human cancers probably originate with a

cancers probably originate with a more substantial genetic changes, involving the rearrangement of one or more sequences of genetic material within the cells concerned.
For some time scientists have

been looking for links between par-ticular cancers and abnormalities in the chromosomes, the thread-like packages of generic material carried in living cells. But Dr Cairus, now working at Harvard School of Public Health in Boston; is the first to assemble the evidence supporting the idea that such a link could be eignificant. In an article in Nature he reviews that evidence.

that evidence.

He gives a warning against simple interpretations of experiments with animals. When laboratory animals develop cancer after treatment with chemicals and other agents known to cause mutations, it is commonly assumed that the commonly against the mutations, it is commonly assumed that the cancer results from the mutations. Although that seems clearly established for ultraviolet light and skin cancer, Dr Carins says the situation is not usually so simple.

He cites as evidence the long

time span over which cancer usually develops and the influence

which enhance the development of cancer but do not cause mutations. Further, the body can normally repair minor damage to the genetic material, and so it may be able to cope with the damage caused by the small quantities of potential carcinogens which reach the integral organs. the internal organs.

Dr Cairns points out that if cancer is initiated by damage to the genetic material, people with an inherited inability to repair that damage should be more sus-ceptible than others to all forms of cancer, But that is not so, be

Says, and points to the skin disease know as xerodernia pigmentosa.

People with that herediatry disease are much more susceptible than normal to skin caocer, caused by the ultraviolet light in sunlight, to which the skin is exposed frequently. But there is no evidence that they are umusually susceptible to the com-mon internal cancers, for example of the lung and breast, although the inability to repair the genetic material is common to all parts of

the body.
That for Dr Cairns is strong evidence that mutation cannot be the most common initiator of cancer. He strengthens his point of view by citing another hereditary disease, Bloom's syndrome, which apparently does involve an abnormally high susceptibility to the common forms of cancer.

Significantly for Dr Cairns, it is also associated with a high frequency of rearrangements among

The evidence of those two diseases suggests to him that, as far as cancer is concerned, large-scale changes in the chromosomes are more hazardous than muta-

There have been many efforts in the past to examine the chromo-somes of various cancers under the microscope, but technical difficulties have restricted the

much evidence has accumulated to show that abnormal chromosomes are often associated with cancer. But the evidence does not show whether the abnormalities are the cause of the cancer or whether they are secondary features of the cancerous cells.

Dr. Cairus believes the former

Dr Cairns believes the former to be more likely. He suggests that chromosome rearrangements would provide the changes necessary to enable a cell to overcome the restraints of the surrounding cells and to proliferate in a cancerous manner. But they are not neces-sarily rearrangements of the sort that could be seen under the microscope. They may resemble the transpositions known in bacteria, yeast and maize.

In those species small pieces of genetic material can jump from place to place in the chromosomes, affecting a cell's behaviour. If such transpositions occur in man, and so far there is no proof that they do, they might provide just the change necessary to release a cell from its constraints.

In putting forward his ideas, Dr Cairus is not denying the obvious association between skin cancer and sunlight, or between lung cancer and tobacco. He believes that while in some cases agents causing mutations are clearly linked to caucer, those mutations are likely to be making only a minor contribution to cancer as

In most cases he favours chro-mosome rearrangements, in the form of transpositions, as the events leading to cancer. In that respect it will be interesting to know whether agents causing mutations can also promote transpesition.

Source: Nature, January 29, 1981 (vol 289, p 353). A Nature-Times News Service,

OBITUARY

THE RIGHT REV A. S. REEVE Former Bishop of Lichfield

Bishop of Lichfield from 1953 to 1974 has died at his home in Shropshire. He was 73. Reeve brought to the episcopate the gifts of a fine parish priest. Like many of the other fine parish priests which the Church of England has pro-duced, he came of a family in which the which the care of souls was looked on as a matter of the first importance. Both his father and grandfather on his mother's side were parish priests. He held strong views on sexual morality and did not besitate to speak publicly against some of the attitudes of the so-called permissive society.

The Right Rev A. S. Reeve,

Arthur Stretton Reeve was born on June 11, 1907, when his father was Vicar of Croy-don, and his grandfather, Henry Horace Perera, Bishop of

Reeve was a man of commanding presence, six foothere high, and distinguished by a broken nose, acquired while playing soccer at his preparatory school. In 1926 he went up from Brighton College to Cambridge, first to Selwyn College and then to the theslo-College and then to the theological college, Westcott House. He read Theology, taking a first class in Part I of the Thelogical Tripos, and a second in Part II. While at Westcott House, he rowed in 1930 for the University.

The dominating influence in Reeve's life was Archbishop Garbett. He was ordeined by Garbett, then Bishop of Southwark, in 1930 to a curacy at Putney parish church; and when Garbett was translated to Winchester in 1932, he appointed Reeve as his domestic chaplain, Reeve was naturally a good organiser and interested in public affairs; and these characteristics were strengthened and broadened by the four years be spent at Wolvesey as Garbett's chaplain. He was also secretary of the Diocesan Youth Fellowship, and endeared himself to the clergy by the good natured way in which he would travel miles in a dilapidated sports car, to take their services when they

were sick. In 1936 Garbett appointed him to one of the most important livings in the diocese, Christ Church, Highfield, Southampton A few days before his institution ha married Miss Flora McNeill, to whom he had been engaged since his Putney days. It, was an ideal marriage; and Reeve's greatness owed enormously to the companionship which his marriage brought him, and the background of mobirusive tact and charm, which his wife gave to his ministry. For Reeve was a great man, not by the possession of outstanding creative. gifts, but by his ability to do the ordinary work of a parish priest and then of a bishop, extremely well. To the outside world he appeared the able administrator and man of affairs. But he was a great deal more than this. Neither as a parish priest nor es a bishop did he allow his administrative gifts prevent him keeping in n with ordinary people. As

The last part of his time in Southampton coincided with the severe bombing to which the city was subjected in the early years of the Second World War. Many, who might otherwise have collapsed under the strain, were able to bear the bombing with fortitude, because of Reeve's friendliness and sample faith. In 1943 he became Vicar of Leeds. Here was seen the fall flowering of his pastoral gifts. He had many qualities, which are dear to Yorkshire people: efficiency, friendliness, forth-rightness. These qualities were to make him one of the most popular vicars Leeds has ever had. As vicar of Leeds, he had a large staff of curates, whom he handled firmly but lightly; and they learnt from him far more than they realized at the time. He was a member of the Leeds Hospital Regional

Board; and this began an interest in the work of hospitals in relation to the Church. which was to last for the rest of his life. One of his chief happinesses was the friendship happinesses was the friendship with numerous members of the medical profession which this interest brought him. Soon after he went to Leeds he was made a Chaplain to King George VI, and an Honorary Canon of Ripon from 1947 to 1953 and became a Proctor in Convocation. Later he was Chaplain to the Queen.

In 1953 he was appointed to the bishopric of Lichfield.

the bishopric of Lichfield. There was nothing spectacular ebout his ministry as a bishop. He administered the diocese He administered the diocese extraordinarily well, in spate of its unwieldy size and shape. He was untiring in the way he tackled every problem, as it arose; though the pace et which he lived often resulted in his becoming over-wrought about small things, nor was he calm in the face of opposition. The clergy felt that in him they had a bishop who understood their pastoral difficulties from his own experience as a parish pastoral difficulties front his own experience as a parish priest, and on whose support they could rely in personal or parythal troubles. They admired too his imparitality in dealing with types of churchmanship other than his own. Reeve himself was a central churchman.

Outside his diocese he did important work as Chairman of the Hospital Chaplaincies Com-

important work as Chairman of the Hospital Chaplaincies Council, a post to which he brought an expert understanding of the workings of the hospitals, gained during his time of Leeds. That the relationship between the Church and the Health Service in regard to hospital chaplaincies has on the whole been a happy one, is very much due to Reeve's tact and firmness. A to Reeve's fact and firmness. A word should be said about his preaching. Although the diction was undistriguished, his ser-mons were powerful and telling, and be could bold the rept attention of the largest con-gregations. He took great trouble over their preparation. They were supple and toold to They were sample and jucid in structure, and delivered with enormous vigour. One of his gifts was the ability to put over to a congregation in everyday language the contents of some big book on the Bible or doctrine. He was a DD of Lambeth and

a visitor he was exemplary. Leed and an honorary Dilit of especially in regard to the sick. Keele.

MR W. J. HOLT

Mr William John Holt, who died at Green Ore, near Wells on January 19, at the age of 86, was responsible for the design of about all small, fast craft for the Royal Navy during the war and in the early 1950s. He was born at Oswaldtwistle and served his apprenticeship as a shipwright at Pembroke Dock where he acquired a life long love of sailing which never left him and which influenced his career considerably. In 1914 he was successful in the entry examination for the Royal Corps of Naval Constructors, winning a 1st class certificate was coopted by the Army to design a class of gun boats for was coopted by the Army to design a class of gun boats for service on the Chindwin of which two entered service named Pamela and Una after the daughters of Earl Mount-batten and General Slim. winning a 1st class certificate at Royal Navy College, Greenwich as well as becoming College Captain of Rugby, subsequently being capped for Devon.

After the usual range of early appointments Holt rook over the appointments Holt took over the boat section in the mid-1930s. One of his first tasks was the design of the non magnetic sail-ing ship Research, gaining back-ground knowledge by sailing from Harwich to Finland as one

After the war, Holt, still controlling the development of small craft, in the rank of Assistant Director of Naval Constructor, sponsored much of the pioneer work on inflatible life rafts and life jackets for marine use. He was also in charge of the design of the Ton class minesweepers of the 1950s of which about 100 were built for the Royal Navy, many of which remain in service, and many others abroad, and for inshore minesweepers and fast patrol craft, He retired in 1954. Holt leaves a widow, Allison, and a daughter, Letitia.

SIR JOHN ACLAND

Sir John Acland, KBE, a for-stockman, stock agent, station mer chairman of the New hand and drover in New Zealand Wool Board and senior Zealand and Australia. He took wice-chairman of the Inter-over sole management of Mount church doctor, and nephew of Mr H. D. Acland, an original member of the Wool Council which was responsible for New Zealand's part in the creation of the IWS in 1937. His grandfather, Mr J. B. A. Acland, took up the 115,000-acre Mount Peel station in Canterbury in 1856, having arrived in New Zealand from Devon a few

of the crew of the fully rigged ship Passar. In the years just before and during the war Holf's section expanded its acti-

vities enormously, dealing with the development and design of

all types of coastal craft rang-ing from motor fishing vessels to big motor torpedo boats and the steam gunboats which be-

came so famous under Peter

Scott.

years previously.

The British side of the family became involved with educational affairs and politics from the 17th century and at least 10 generations served in the House of Commons.

as his second wife in 1934. He died in 1945.

national Wool Secretariat, died Peel in 1933, served in local on January 26, at the age of 77. government for many years, was He was born on January 18, a justice of the peace and a 1904, the son of the late Colonel lay reader in the Anglican Sir Hugh Acland, a Christ-Church. From 1942 to 1946 he was a member of the New Zealand

Parliament for the Temuka of the Wool Board in 1947. He was elected deputy chairman in 1956 and chairman in 1960 when he was also elected vice-chairman of the IWS. He was created KBE in 1968. Ill-health forced him to retire from the Board in 1972.

He is survived by his wife Kit—herself from a prominent Hawkes Bay farming family and sister of the former New Zealand Meat Board chairman, Sir John Ormond-three sons and Educated at Christ's College, three daughters. Two of the Christchurch, Acland learned sons are managing Mount Peel farming the hard way as a station.

Marion Lady Gilbey, widow of Sir Walter Gilbey second baronet, died on January 24 at on January 26 at the age of 85. She was the daughter of James Roberts, and she married Sir Walter Gilbey Philedelphia, and she was married in 1922. Her husband died in 1967.

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New Books

Law and Constitution

The Rule of Law Albert Venn Dicey, Victorian

By Richard

A. Cosgrove (Macmillan, £15)

Dicey's "intellectual reputation stood highest in his own lifetime but has now declined sharply"; "his major works have not stood the test of time well"; he "imbibed the conventional beliefs of the mid-Victorian generation unquestioningly" and "displayed an enduring fidelity to that code throughout his life ". Professor Cosgrove's introduction is no blorb; there is no oversell

there. It borrows something from Dicey's own habit of self-disparagement. "I do not believe that I have ever got hold of a strictly original thought in my life, even in the form of a new error", he wrote to Bryce towards the end of his life; and to Strachey he confided that his special vocation was "one of repeating to dull men the truisms they refuse to notice".

Nevertheless A. V. Dicey, author of Conflict of Laws and

Law of the Constitution, the most distinguished occupant Oxford's Vinerian chair had had since Blackstone, constitutional authority and crusty conservative, deserves what he has now been given, a first critical biography. His exposition of the principles of the British constitution was immensely influential and has by no means entirely ceased to be so. He also exemplified the high seriousness and sense of public obligation that animated the products of Jowett's Oxford and still compel an intimidated admiration.

He said that his way of looking at life and the matters which had interested him were determined by his having been "brought up at home by very good and intelligent parents who were earnest Whigs and sincere though not violent Evangelicals". His father Evangelicals." His father wanted in most of the kingdom. owned by inheritance the Best the Union; but better Northampton Mercury, a profitable newspaper which be conducted in the Whig interest. Scottish devolution the sound-

His mother was a daughter of James Stephen of the Clapham Sect. Dicey early conceived ambitions in politics or on the bench. It was because he achieved neither that even his high distinction as an academic lawyer and constitutional pundir never entirely rid him of a sense of disappointment.

Walter Bagehot had analysed the constitution in terms of politics. Dicey analysed it in terms of law. These two works formed Englishmen's conception of their constitution, Dicey educed three principles on which the frame rested; the sovereignty of Parliament, the sovereignty of rarnament, the rule of law, and the validity of convention. Professor Cosgrove usefully expounds the Dicey doctrine and takes a quick canter round the critical writings is has generated

ings it has generated. After looking at his other major books in a similar way Professor Cosgrove turns to, and recounts at tedious length, Dicgy's political obsession with the threat to the Union posed by Jeich Home Pule He justing by Irish Home Rule, He justi-fies this by reference to the time end energy which Dicey himself expended on it. But a biographer may assert his own

Dicey had formed his opinions about Irish Home Rule by 1885. They remained, of growing intensity and impervious to events, to the year of his death in 1922, For Professor Cosgrove Dicey's Unionism is the chief, though not the only, example of an incorrigible conservatism in public affairs, which came about because he did not change or adapt his values in a changing world. An outlook that was Liberal, even progres-sive, when first adopted came to be reactionary in due course. History certainly engulfed most of Dicey's political opinions, yet it has not comprehensively extinguished them. Some of them echo into the present as the following examples show.

Dicey's central objection to Home Rule was that it would weaken the state and introduce divided sovereignty, a flawed system unsuited and un-

est objections to the legislation sprang from that line of thought. There are limits to the constitutional inconventences majorities should be required to put up in order to accommodate regional prefer-

The Trade Disputes Act of 1906 earned his disapproval as being prejudicial to the rule of law. Of the freedom of liability in tort which it conferred on. trade unions he wrote:

conceal the fact as you may, this conceal the fact as how may, this Act is intended to give and does give unjust privilege to trade unions... Privilege whether it be given to a king or a trade union, is simply a decent name for despotism. That opinion is alive and kicking.

He was active in the procure-ment of social and civil rights for women, as was his wife, Ellnor Bonham-Carter, But he

drew the line at votes. The basis of government was force, ultimately physical strength; men exercised a monopoly of physical force; ergo, there no place for women in politics. Not much sale for that argument these days, but it is nice to have it back on the shelves. This book is concerned with

the public Dicey. It has little to say about his private life, and it does not acquaint one with what he may have been like to know. There are a few clues. During his wedding ceremony "he passed the time by pondering the legal question at what precise moment the contract becomes binding "— not, one supposes, because of any thought of gazumping. And when he was 82, having through life as he said "sedulously fought shy of verses and poets", he wrote a book on The Statesmanship of Wordsworth (1917) as a contribution to debate on the nation's war

University of North Carolina Press deserves thanks for still having the capacity to put footnotes where they belong, but not for letting through Macauley, beknighted, and "the Boer war had produced a feeling of unanimity rare in a feeling of unanimity rare in England."

T. J. O. Hickey



King Lear cracking heaven's vault from Macready's production of 1835 in Shakespeare's Women by Angela Pitt (David & Charles, £9.95). His restoration of Shakespeare's text and refusal to allow a happy ending shocked many of the audience. Cordelia was played by Helen

Sharp but friendly

-Memories

By Frances Partridge (Gollancz, £9.95)

(Gollancz, £9.95)
While others wrote of the Bloomsbury world they inhabited even while they were still living it, Frances Partridge has waited 50 years before producing her Memories. Based on letters and diaries, and told with the same fluency, the same sharp but friendly tongue as in A Pacifist's War, her account of being a consclentious objector in the Second World War, Memories gives, in her own words, the "personal side" of Bloomsbury, the chronicle of everyday events: chronicle of everyday events and felt like.

Frances Partridge was born to Bloomsbury: By birth she entered a circle of Frys and Stracheys; by going to work for the bookshop run by David Garnett and Francis Birrell, she met and became friends with its most central members—Virginia and Leonard Woolf, Duncan Grant, Maynard Keynes. By falling in love with Ralph Patridge, busband of Carrington and friend of Lytton Strachey, she became a fourth to the famous menage a trois of Ham Spray. She was there, at the parties, with their "continuous passionate danc-ing", at the dinners and lunches and weekends, where the talk was good and friend-ships and relationships began and ended. It was the detail that appealed to her, that she recorded then or remembers now; the fact that Carrington moved like a little girl, standing with "head hanging and toes turned"; that Virginia Woolf was good at making jam and bread; that Clive Bell

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This is not only the first full length biography, it is also a

brilliantly sympathetic yet astringent portrait of one of the great men of this century.' Philip Toynbee, Observer

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took her to dianer dressed " in purple sponge-cloth with black frogs".

I have hesitated at length before deciding to write about the ghastly winter of 1931-32" begins Chapter 12. The "cata-strophe" is an event much described by the writers of Bloomsbury: Lytton Strachey's death, and the desperate and doomed attempts on the part of all who knew her to prevent Carrington from kill-ing herself.

But Memorics is not just observation. As a girl, Frances Partridge was sent to board at Bedales, Shortly before leaving school, she had an almost myswhat it looked and sounded tical experience, a flash of understanding that:

my ideas and beliefs were my own and would always be so, that though I might be forced to go and it things I hated doing, no one and nothing could make me think against my own grain, or divert my beliefs from their chosen channel. At the end of the book, she

comes back to this: that unlike love of family which is "genetic and static" friendp is exciting in that it involves choice. Frances Partridge emerges a wholly sympathetic figure, who loved the dancing and valued the friends, "serious but not solemn" in the words she uses to describe the Bloomsbury cast. But this note of independence, of strength derived from curiosity and a kind of confidence about how to live and behave, marks Memories. In the end, it is a book about friendship, among people who really cared about friends, about its rules and limits and the determining

power of its influence.

John Harriott, The Times

Ouick guide

Anyone Here Been Raped and Speaks English?, by Edward Behr (Hamish Hamilton, £7.95). This is a lightweight, gossipy little book-akhough, at 316 pages, it goes on rather longer than such a little book should in which Mr Behr, an Englishborn journalist and author, works through his theory that even the most trivial, nonsensical anecdote can be made to illustrate a general truth and sometimes more aprly reveals By John Banville an 'ambiance', a climate, than any careful marshalling of facts".

As foreign correspondent for Time-Life and Newsweek, among others, Mr Behr certainly had the opportunity to collect more than his share of such anecdotes, mainly in theatres of war throughout the Far East and Africa.

Some of his mini-yarns are not had—the title, for example, attributed to a British television reporter addressing a shamble of Belgian civilians in the or Beigian civilians in the Congo; or the Frenchman at the Melouza massacre, assembling a sardine sandwich amidst heaps of rotting corpses and murmuring (in French or English? I wonder); "Atrocities always make me peckish" -but too many of the tales seem to qualify as all too trivial, and perhaps not nonsensical enough.

The author, moreover, dis-plays an unattractive tendency wer of its influence.

Caroline Moorehead

Caroline Moorehead of how kenters anticipated the death of Pétain by six months and how it really wasn't Mr Behr's fault. As one colleague after another is found wanting, each finely judged aside seems little more tedious than the

> Remove these uncharitable and, worse, uninteresting references to other journalists; cut down the woolly and unedifying political analysis that tends to fill up the long empty spaces between really good anecdotes, and you are left with a very little book indeed.

A History of the Ordnance

Tony Samstag

Survey edited by W. A. Sey-mour (Dawson, £351, Moun-tainous labours and much confusion over 17 years have pro-duced this first complete and comprehensive history of one of our national institutions. A multitude of authors cover the map from its beginning with the establishment of the Royal Arsenal in the Tower of London to the major governmental review of 1978. It is specialized matter, with chapters as engagingly hermetic as the one entitled "The Scales Dispute: Henry James 185463". It reads like a book put together by a committee. After the first draft, they had to start again because of duplication of subbecause of duplication of subject matter in the technical chapters on such things as geodesy and the chronological nar-rative. Because of the 1978 review, it was not possible for the Stationery Office or the Ordnance Survey itself to publish it. But here it is at last, the book of the year for carto-graphers, map historians, and lovers of odd national instituA Good Man in Africa

The Daughter By Judith Chernaik (Landon Magazina Editions,

Fiction

By William Boyd

(Hamish Hamilton, £6.95)

Kepler

Lloyd George By David Benedictus

(Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £5.95)

Morgan Leafy, First Secretary

in the British Deputy Commission in the West African bellhole Kinjanja, is a walking workers on Merseyside, so let disaster area. When he has an us not be mealy-mouthed disaster area. When he has an us not be mealy-mouthed about this. Welcome aboard Mr Boyd, and three hearty cheers for Hamish Hamilton for servbeing blackmailed by her husband. When he takes an African mistress she gives him a dose of the clap which leaves bim quivering with frustration when the Deputy Commissioner's daughter finally decides to succumb to his overweight charms. (" 'Don't touch

Everything and everyone

warm woman, a cold beer, and in her narrative without the squiet life are all he asks for. Combarrassment or suspension but it seems a bit hard on a of belief that so often accompanies the incorporation of who is both coward and bully, familiar historical characters who is both coward and bully, a boss's wife who expects him to function as Santa Claus at the children's Christmas party, a pair of destructively incompetent servants, and the task of disposing of a body which local superstition demands must be left to rot in the Commission compound, only hours before the arrival of a royal visitor. royal visitor. Of course A Good Man in frica is derivative. No come-

dy set in the Dark Continent LDE Characters are too stered typed for this to be a really good novel, but the plot fairly rattles along, and Mr Boyd's West African upbringing makes his Kinjanja a far more dreamt up by Waugh or by John Updike in The Coup. Genuinely funny writers are as rare as employed unskilled ing up so toothsome a dish at a time of the year when we expect to make do with leftovers from the pre-Christmas banquet.

Thanks also to the publishers of The Daughter and Kepler, both of which would surely have held their own against stiffer competition in October or November. Judith it! he shricked violently, as October or November. Judith though to an innocent child about to per an adder.") Alas, Priscilla is unimpressed by his frantic excuses and flounces daughter Eleanor ("Tussy") frantic excuses and flounces of to offer her body, the perfection of which is marred toniy by a nose which turns up at the end like a ski-jump, to Dickie Dalmire, Leafy's detested subordinate.

Leafy's detected subordinate. Everything and everyone conspire to thwart the hero of William Boyd's wickedly funny first novel. Not that his ambitions are particularly lofty: a Daughter is all too real, and it is a measure of Miss Chernally skill that we accept Shaw, Havelock Ellis, and Olive Schreiner as key figures

into ficton. Her recreation of Tussy's Bohemian milieu is superbly effective, and the sensitivity of her observation and economy of style present us with a cool, in fact chilling, picture of the way men and women treat each other. But this is no dreary feminist tract or period piece. It is a firstrate novel set in an historical context which emphasizes ruther than obscures its timeless theme. John Banville's Kepler is

can escape the influence of John Banville's Kepler is Waugh. There are shafts too of another historical tour de force. Tom Sharpe and unmisrakable His prose fizzes and sparkles echoes of Amis père, Perhaps as he conjures up the backmunt and physical squalor against which mathematician and astronomer Johannes Kepler wrestles with personal tragedy and the meanness o his patrons to match the achievements of his contemporary Galileo. Praise enough to say that Mr Banville's new book is a worthy successor to his prizewinning Dr Copernicus.

David Benedictus's 'Lloud George is altogether smaller beer, I am afraid. This novelization—a bastard process deserves a bastard word—of Elaine Morgan's forthcoming television series gives us a bloodless and surprisingly pru-dish account of the Welsh wizard's rise to fame. Mr Benedictus's political judgements are naive and his humour is that of the Lower Fifth t"Probably the only influen-tial person in Britain who managed to avoid David's arguments against the brutal and expensive war in South Africa was Queen Victoria, and she only managed it by dying"). More seriously, errors in such easy-to-check details as the dates of elections suggest that the author's commitments to historical accuracy is no more powerful than his hero's belief in the sanctity of the marriage

John Nicholson

A deadly game

Counter Coup

This book could hardly be more

timely. The anti-Americanism which swept through the Tehran mobs in 1979 and led to the seizure of the American Embassy has often been represented as a rentacrowd phenomenon, based on false emotions whipped up by the mullahs. In fact antagonism toward America runs deep in Iran, and anyone wanting to know why could do worse than to take a look at Kermit Roosevelt's memoir.

It is not actually Mr Roosevelt's intention to explain or even understand Americanism, mind you. On the contrary, he regards American influence in Iran as a jolly good thing, and has no quaims at all about the episode which began it all, and in which he was himself involved: the overthrow of the Iranian Prime Minister in a coup in 1953, and the subsequent return of the Shah, both engineered by the CIA. The tone of the book is set on the first page of the foreword:

At the end of this true account, in the late summer of 1953, the on August 19, 1953, the CIA-with Kermit Roosevelt taking the lead-removed him. The Shah, who had gone into exile By Kermit Roosevelt

The Struggle for The Control of Iran

(McGraw Hill, £6.95)

This book could hardly be mean. during the crisis, was brought back, and the rest, as they say, is history. Looking back, it is clear that this was the first of many mis-calculations the United States was to make, all stemming from

Nice of Kermit to say 50.

Soviet domination of Iran, and

Kermit Roosevelt-grandson of President Theodore Rooseits obsession with the Com-munist threat. Sometimes this velt-joined the CIA more for something to do than to advance the aims of American imperialism. He was young energetic, hardy, and full of Boys Own Paper style heroics. threat has been a real one; but more often than not it has been a phantom, and was so in Iran, where the Tudeh (Communist) Party did not even support In those now distant days it Mossadeo, and indeed opposed him until the last moment. was still possible for a young American or Englishman to cut a romantic figure and hob nob with desert princes and revolutionaries. The game itself, however, was deadly serious. The Iranian Prime Minister, Mohammed Mossadeq, was the focal point in 1951-52 of widespread Iranian recentment of forcion There is no hint of this in Mr Roosevelt's rather anecdotal point in 1951-32 or wisespecial franian resentment of foreign—

book. The prose is breathless-Boys Own Paper again-and the centre of attention is the author himself, rather than Mossadeq or the Shah. There are some useful thumbnail sketchessuch as the planning meeting at the State Department at which John Foster Dulles announced in his rasping voice, "This is how we get rid of that Iran's oil resources. Mossedeg's nationalization of Iranian oil companies precipitated a direct confrontation not only with Britain but also with Amermica, madman Mossadeq!". But there is little hint that the events of 1953 have been rejust then taking Britain's place as chief imperialist power. Mos-saded was regarded by the considered, or that American actions were in any way Americans as the thin end of a mistaken. wedge opening the door to

Here to stay

Face the Future By David Owen (Cape, £12.50)

More people these days are prepared to put in a good word for Dr David Owen. They point out, for example, that he is not Mr Roy Hattersley.

Mr . Hattersley, however, writes better. This very long book can be heavy going; there are some long tramps over pretty flat country. One is not surprised to learn, en route, that Dr Owen thought that the important Brandt Report was a rattling good read.

The book would probably have been a great deal better if it had not been produced in such a rush. As it stands, it is a monument to the author's formidable industry and to the publisher's entropreneurial vint. But one wishes that the special Labour Party Conference had been a few months later so that Face the Future could have spent a little more time under the editor's pen. These criticisms should not

deter potential readers. For once, the publisher's blurb is not exaggerating when it describes this book as "one of the most constructive contributions to the political debate in Britain". It is said (though it is not this reviewer's experience) that Dr Owen is a trifle on the cocky side. On the evidence of all these pages, he has quite a lot to be cocky about.

Dr Owen's basic argument is that "at present the Labour Party is further removed from being a social democratic party than at any time in its history". It is no longer a radical move-ment; its conference is domi-nated by the unions and its thinking by corporatism. Even the intellectual champion of British social democracy, the late Anthony Crosland, put too much emphasis on centralized much emphasis on centralized socialism and too little on participation and on changing artirudes through greater involvement of individuals in the decisions affecting their lives as citizens, workers and clients of the Welfare State. Corporatism lies at the heart of the country's problems and needs to be attacked at every point by a return to "a non-decentralized, democratic Socialism", tralized, democratic Socialism " embracing the encouragement of co-ownership and industrial democracy, greater local democracy and more open and accountable government at every lével.

Few will argue with Dr Owen's contention that the Labour Party has become more Labour Party has become more authoritarian in both its policies and its behaviour, though attacks on the "one man, one million votes" notion of democracy which rules the party would be rather more credible today if they had been advanced with equal passion by the Right when the block vote was in their own pocket. There are also supporters in There are also supporters in every party of Adlai Steven-

son's belief that "the average man is a great deal better than the average" and should be trusted to do more and decide more for himself. But it is difficult to believe that the key to Britain's revival lies in the introduction of local income tax and of direct elections to health authorities, or that the historic interests represented by "Labourism" — crumbling though they may be—will be easily replaced by a new public appetite for participatory

democracy. Nor are all Dr Owen's sallies against corporatism easy to follow. Sometimes he seems to be attacking the attempts to mobilize consent behind the responsible management of the economy. Keith Middlemass has shown that it is the breakdown of these attempts not down of these attempts, not their existence, which has done most to undermine our economic performance. In his
fashionable and wholly correct
espousal of "concerted action"
machinery along West German
lines for reforming our pay
bargaining procedures. Dr
Owen appears, almost despite
himself, to concede this point himself, to concede this point,

The attempt to fit almost everything into the anti-corporatist theme distorts what is otherwise a very good and to use a Dr Owen sort of word —" challenging "book. He argues that

One of the tragedies of much post-war economic practise is its rigidity, its search for solutions, its inability to learn from experience and to operate for any sustained period a mix of policies. policies.

His own mix-particularly his views on the relationship be-tween the public and private sectors, between current and capital expenditure, and be-tween the government and manufacturing industry—con-tains a wealth of common sense, and he is never afraid to follow that marvellously provocative American economist, Lester Thurow, in arguing that it is only when we demand a solution with no costs that there isn't one.

Dr Owen also has many interesting things to say about energy conservation, family policy, community care, housing finance, disarmament, the future of the European Community, and almost every other subject which finds its way on the the policial agenda. His to the political agenda. His views on the relationship between ministers and civil servants will doubtless be read with particularly close interest by all those officials who worked for him in government evidently before his views on participation were quite so fully developed.

Like him or not. Dr Owen is a serious radical and a brave man, and he has written an important book. Heaven knows what will happen to the Labour Party, but I fancy that Dr Owen is here to stay.

Chris Patten

Three sides

The Kennaway Papers By James and Susan Kennaway

(Cape, £5.50)

"I would not wish to publish this story if it were not that I found in James's notebooks and diaries some of the best writing that he has done" says Susan Kennaway. It sounds defensive: the story courses a three sided valuation. concerns a three-sided relation ship between herself, James her husband and David, a friend and novelist, then at the beginning of a highly success-ful career.

James Kennaway died at the age of 40 in a road accident 12 years ago. He had always felt that his life would be short, and that he must pack as much as he could into it, including the fast cars, the well paid scriptwriting jobs, the six novels, the living abroad and the four children educated at

It is difficult to know quite whether this book is an act of homage, reparation, or revenge. At times James Kennaway sounds absolutely intolerable self-centred in the way that only writers can be, stimulated by rows and fights and scenes, compulsively unfaithful, with an added compulsion of insist-ing on telling his wife about his affairs. On the other hand, there was also "his zest for life, and the way he entertained us when he chose to". From James we discover the writer's insecurity and loneliness, his astonishment, fearful ange and angry fear when he found that his wife had taken as a lover his close and loving friend.

He was a great meddler with the lives of other people. As Susan Kennaway says:

James was a great manipulator of people. Many people seemed to think he had good advice to offer, and many were foolish enough to take it, but he enjoyed playing with people's lives, and it was inevitable that sooner or later he would need to begin to play with my life and with David's life and it was inevitable, too, the turn that that would take too, the turn that that would take

James's reactions were both awful and comic—genuine and deep pain mixed with instructions to himself to remember to freeze the joint bank account. He knew it, of course, and it is fascinating and painful to dis-cover how well he knew and understood himself, and others. "I must stop Dostoevskidding myself" he writes at one point David could not leave his wife and children, and the affair ended. Later James and Susan came together again. He was, for all his impossibilities, superb Richard Owen company, and by comparison, everyone else was just a little

dull. Susan, not a writer or a creative artist, is perhaps the one who derived the most pain and least benefit from the affair. James Kennaway wrote Some Gorgeous Accident which is quite obviously based on it, and David wrote an excellent though not particularly well regarded novel, The Naive and Sentimental Lover, drawing on the same experiences. With The Kennaway Papers the triangle. is now once again completed.

Philippa Toomey

In the TLS tomorrow: John Bayley writes about Christopher Smart, and reviews to cele-Smart, and reviews to cele-brate Flaubert's centenary. In the books pages of The Times next week: Pompey, Peter the Great, Dr Johnson, and Louis XVIII. The anthor of The Second Coming in the fiction review last week was Walker, not Walter, Percy.

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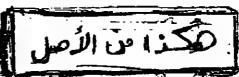
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AN BRIEF

Sterling at highest level for 5 years against mark

The dollar and the pound continued to strengthen against ether currencies on the international money markets yesterday. Sterling's effective rate against a basket of currencies rose 0.4 to 81.6, while the dollar's effective rate showed a similar gain, ending the day's trading at 88.4.

The pound's strength against currencies was underscored by its advance against the Deutsch mark, which took it to its highest level for five years. The pound even managed a rise of 42 points reginst the dollar, to close at \$2,4990.

Although both currencles established new peaks in several continental centres, there appeared to be little official continental intervention to stem the move-ment. Against the lira, the dollar reached its highest level. It also advanced against the mark amid continuing pessi-mism about prospects for the

New Abbey National granny bonds 'issue

National Building Cociety is to replace its Sixty Plus Bondshares with a new issue on Saturday.

The new issue will be less attractive in yield terms, offering a guaranteed 2.5 per cent 9.25 per cent after basic rate tax (equivalent to 13.2 per cent -gross) compared with a 3 per cont guaranteed differential for those who stay the six year course on the present issue.

Waste heat project

Six cities have been recommended for further study as potential sites for supplying wasto heat from power stations by underground pipeline to homes, offices and industry. They are Glasgow, Newcastle, London (Central and East), Sheffield, Belfast and Liver-

£180.000 for Mr Coral

Mr Nicholas Coral, chairman of Coral Leisure Group which was acquired by Bass at the end of last year, has resigned from the board and received severance pay of £180,000.

Higher savings limit

The limit which may be paid each month into the National Savings index-linked save-as-you-earn third issue will be increased from £20 to £50 from

Littlewoods cutback

company, is to make several hundred staff in London, Greater Manchester and Liverpool redundant. Part book redundant. The company savs that only 250 full-time and liver 180 part-time sraff will lose their jobs but union officers claim that 1,650 are affected.

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Wall Street lower The Dow Jones industrial average closed 6.91 points down at 942.58. The \$SDR was

EEC 'fair trade' investigation will delay £990m Leyland cash

From Michael Hornsby Brussels, Jan 28

The additional state aid of £990m for BL announced by the Government earlier this week is to be held up for two months while the European Commission examines its compatibility with EEC fair trade rules.

In a related move, it was disclosed that Mr Wilfried Mardisclosed that Mr Wiltried Mar-tens, the Belgian prime minister, made a last-minute and evid-ently fruitless appeal here today to Mrs Thatcher to postpone the decision to close BL's Belgian assembly plant at Seneffe; south of Brussels

of Brussels.

Sir Peter Wakefield, the British ambassador to Belgium, was summoned to the prime minister's office this morning and asked to deliver a message to Mrs Thatcher. This was understood to state that it would be "desirable" if the closure decision could be delayed for at least a month.

Mr. Martens's message

Mr Martens's messes stressed the Seneffe plant's good productivity record, his strike-free labour relations over 17 years, and the drastic impact the closure would have on an already depressed region where up to a third of the workforce are without jobs.

Similar points were made earlier in the week by a trade union deputation from the Seneffe plant in talks with senior officials of the social and industrial affairs departments of the European Commission. The trade unionists argued that given time, a purchaser for the plant could be found, and they mentioned Datsun of lapan as a possible buyer. But

the company said today that all attempts to find a purchaser had proved fruitless.

There is speculation that the

decision to close the Seneffe plant might influence the Com-mission as it assesses the British Government's latest huge injec-tion of funds into Pi tion of funds into BL.

It is noted that Viscount Etienne Davignon, the EEC's commissioner for industry, is a Belgian, and that the commissioner responsible for fair trade, Mr Frans Andriessen, comes from Belgium's Benelux neighbour Holtand where Ri

"So has micross,
"So far, we have not been given any detailed reasons for the aid. We will need to be satisfied that there is a genuine restructuring plan if these pay-ments are to be approved, a spokesman for the Commission

manufacturers.

Under Articles 92 and 93 of the Treaty of Rome, the European Commission is empowered to "keep under constant review" all grants of government sid by member states. If it decides that such aid is "not compatible or "is being misused", the Commission can prohibit or amend it.

If the state concerned failed

neighbour, Holland, where BL also has interests.

In essence, the Commission must be satisfied that the f990m will turn BL into a profitable and self-sustaining company within a reasonably short time, and not merely support a lame duck at the expense of other European carmanufacturers.

If the state concerned failed to comply, the case goes before the European Court of Justice. The offending government could, however, appeal to its European partners for support and ask them to overturn the Commission's instructions. This Commission's instructions. This would require a unanimous decision of the EEC's Council of Ministers.

Belgian bitterness over Mini plant closure

BL confirmed yesterday that it was closing its Mini assembly plant at Seneffe, near Mons in Belgium with the loss of 2,200 jobs. A further 225 workers at Cowley, near Oxford, who pack kits for the Belgian plant will also be made radius. plant will also be made redundant.

There is considerable bitterness in Belgium over 'the Seneffe closure and anti-British feeling is running high among the workers there, some of whom have occupied the plant. Some newspapers yesterday described as "blackmail" BL's threat to close down the distri-bution section of the plant as well if there was continued un-

The Seneffe closure, to take place in March, had been under consideration for some months as the BL board formulated its Plan for further retrenchment and the concentration of car assembly in the United King-

BL's closure costs in Belgium, where statutory redundancy payments are high, are expected to be more than 2,000m Belgian francs (£25m) and will come from the £320m that has been earmarked in the corporate plan for extraordinary and exceptional expenditure during the continuing restructuring of

management stressed that in the last three years \$3,000 jobs had been cut throughout the com-pany and three factories closed. The Belgian plant was said to have made a loss of \$5m francs (£688,000) in 1978 and 132m francs (£1.65m) in 1979. Losses

for last year were expected to be considerably higher... Workers were told that 500 employees in the plant's pre-delivery inspection and distribution operation, which handles all BL car exports to Europe, would not be affected.

The Seneffe factory was acquired by the then British Motor Corporation in 1965 from an importer of Morris and MG vehicles as the main assembly base for European markets. BL said that demand was in-

sufficient to sustain production at both Longbridge and Seneffe. at both Longoridge and Senette.
In addition, the company said
that labour costs in Belgium
were 61 per cent higher than in
the United Kingdom, while
Longbridge had achieved a
steady improvement in productivity in the recent past
which had reduced unit costs.

Broderion at Confee Production at Seneffe has declined rapidly in recent years from a total of 81,960 cars in 1977 to 37,560 last year. Because of reduced demand in the last quarter of 1980, Seneffe had been working about one

week in four.
Last year BL sold about 100,000 In a statement to the Seneife capture under two per cent of works council yesterday. BL the market.

Record year for exporters

By Edward Townsend Britain's motor industry products worth a £4,251m last year, putting the industry firmly back in profit after the first deficit on foreign trade of 1287m recorded in 1979. Figures from the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders show that the value of exports of all motor products

PRICE CHANGES

rose by 5 per cent while the value of imports declined by 16 per cent last year resulting in a trade surplus of £593m. Exports of parts and accessories once again proved to be the mainstay of the industry's exporters, accounting for £2,044m of the 1980 total, a rise of 7 per cent on the previous poised to sit in Sir Hugh's chair, year. Imports of parts fell by He was shaking to get into the 14 per cent to 1991m. chair, but Sir Hugh will be

The West German people were told today that they must expect a real drop in their standard of living this year. Presenting what must be the

gloomiest annual report on the economy ever drawn up by a West German government, Dr Otto Lambsdorff, the Economics Minister, told a press conference that while West Germany was in a better state than most countries the "easy times" were over for the time being. The government has forecast that in real terms gross national product will stagnate and could fall on average by one per cent in 1981. It expects consumer prices this year will rise by 4.5 per cent.

The current account balance of payments which, according to preliminary estimates, showed a deficir of 28.490m Deutsche marks (about 55,700m) last year, is likely to register only a marginal improvement with the shortfall declining to between DM22,000m and between DM22,000m and DM25,000m. An average level of unemployment of 1,2 million a month is considered unavoidable for the whole of

From David Cross Washington, Jan 28

With the stroke of a pen President Reagan acted today to lift all remaining Federal controls on American oil pro-duction and marketing immedi-

restrictive price controls have held United States oil produc-

tion below its potential, artificially boosted energy

consumption, aggravated our

balance of payments problems and stifled technological break-throughs", Mr Reagan said when he signed a presidential,

order to eliminate price and

any purchases would take the

company's stake above 30 per cent, thus making a bid obliga-tory under the Takeover Code.

But Loprbo cannot finally go shead with the bid until it has the approval of its share-

This gives the Fraser camp a breathing space in which to

marshal its defences, which would probably include a re-

valuation of its properties. In addition, alternative buyers of

This may not involve a full alternative bidder because it is

thought some institutional buyers might be willing to take

stakes after Sir Hugh's

Enough buyers could build

up a big enough stake to thwart Lonrho, though this would in-

volve an operation costing

Mr Rowland said afterwards:

"We were asked either to put up or shut up. I have had four,

five, six potential buyers for

our shares. The highest offer was 105p. We decided last

night that we ought to put up and told Sir Hugh. If there were

any institutions prepared to cap the offer, we would be sellers.

offer."

Mr Rowland claimed that almost all the board had been "brainwashed." by Warburg's.

That is why they were so taken aback, when we made our bid. They had not been briefed and had to ask Warburg's what to do."

He said that Sir Hugh would

be back at the helm of the House of Fraser. "Professor

Smith, for whom I have no re-

spect whatsoever, was already poised to sit in Sir Hugh's chair.

L.do, not, expect a higher

the shares can be sought.

departure.

about £40m.

to do."

"Price controls have also

distribution controls.



Bonn facing economic downturn

At a press conference in Bonn, Dr Lambsdorff made it clear that these forecasts were based on the expectation that matters would improve in the course of 1981.

The g.n.p. forecast, he said, ssumed a marked upwards mayement in the economy in the course of the year. The prices forecast also depended

a balanced energy programme— a programme free of arbitrary

straints-one designed to pro-

mote prudent conservation and vigorous domestic production.

Today's move, which was promised by Mr Reagan during

the election campaign is not as dramatic as it would first appear. Nearly two years ago. President Carter decided that price controls should be phased

out gradually and they now affect only some 15 per cent of the crude oil processed by American refineries and 25 per

cent of the crude oil produced

in the United States.

£158m Lonrho bid for Fraser

Fraser shares in the market for

September 1977: Lourino buys 20
per cent-of Fraser from Carter
Hawley Hale
November 1977: Lord Duncan
Sandys and Mr Rowland
appointed to board of Fraser
April 1978: Lourino bids for
remainder of SUIT's
May 1978: SUIT's bid referred to
Monopolites Commission

July 1978: Sir Hugh fined for accounts omission and share

March 1979 : SUITs bid cleared by

Monopolies Commission May 1980 : Sir Hugh sells 3.5 mil-ilon Lonno shares

occupying his office again very soon. If it had not been for Professor Smith we would never

Asked if the Fraser directors who voted Sir Hugh off would be dismissed if the Lonnho bid

goes through, Mr Rowland said: "I imagine they will want

Sir Hugh said he had no regrets, and looked forward to going "on the same ship" as Mr Rowland, He said: "I will

stand aside with the trusts

(which account for 3.54 per cent of the shares) and let the share-

"I am delighted to find out who is loyal and who is not

among the directors, some of whom I have known for 26 years. It is very interesting." Sir Hugh remains on the Fraser board as a director. He

is due to take up the chair-manship of Harrods at the end

Before the meeting, Sir Hugh

requisition another

said that if he lost the vote be

special meeting, asking the shareholders to reinstate him.

to be out."

holders decide.

of the week.

1976: SUITS sells 20 per cent of Fraser to Carter Hawley Hale more of bound of SUITs, which has 10 per cent of Fraser September 1977: Lontho buys 20 hoard member 1977: Lontho buys 20

"Price controls have also made us more energy-dependent on the Opec (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries)—a development that has jeopardized our economic security and undermined price stability at home", he added. The ending of price controls of the controls by a few months is seen here as a largely sym-

counter-productive con-

was a positive first step towards bolic gesture designed to point

Mr Reagan lifts last controls on

oil production and marketing

tionary pressures because a two per cent overhang was built into the consumer price index for this year. The modest reduction in Ger-

many's current account deficit presupposed rising exports and a reduction in imported energy costs, while inflationary wage settlements would push up the level of unemployment beyond the numbers forecast by the government.

There were positive sides to the German economy, the minister said. Industrial investment was holding up much better than after the first oil crisis of 1973. Whereas in 1974 real investments in new plant had fallen by 10 per cent, the drop expected for this year was only 2 per cent.

German companies were also a better financial state than in 1974 as profits had not fallen as sharply. Moreover, Dr Lambsdorff said the Bonn government expected that Germany's exports would rise more swiftly than world trade, thanks in part to the devaluation of the mark on foreign exchange markets. But he admitted that the forecasts were subject to risks. The world economy could be

a new direction for American energy policy. Unlike Mr Carter, Mr Reagan is much more interested in stimulating the search for new oil supplies

In the short term, bowever,

the change is likely to have

United States economy. At a

press conference today, Mr

prices at the pump would prob-ably rise between 3 and 5 cents a gallon from the current level

Moreover, the move would probably help the government with its revenue raising prob-

lems to the tune of some \$3,000m (£1,244m) to \$4,000m

in taxes from the oil companies.

The saving in consumption was likely to total between 50,000 and 100,000 barrels of oil a day, Mr Edwards said.

tions special shareholders' meet-ing amany 1981; Lourho opposition to D. H. Evans deal defeated. Lourho bids for Fraser

He now says: "We will have

to wait and see what happens."

man was absent from yester-day's meeting for health reasons. Mr Philip Hawley, an

American Fraser director, flew

from California to attend, but

He said later: "I did not

vote because I do not feel suffi-ciently well informed. I do not

know Professor Smith and I

am not in a position to com-ment on his professional quali-

The City has been expecting ic Roland to bid for House

of Fraser for almost three years

since his takeover of Scottish

and Universal Investments brought him a further 10 per

cent of the shares to add to the

20. per cent he bought from Carter Hawley Hale, Mr Haw-

ley's company.

Asked later if he thought

Lonrho would win, Mr Rowland

bound to win sooner or later."

"If we win? We are

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abstained from voting.

fications."

Mr Humphries, the man who

some \$1.30 to \$1.40 (54p-

Edwards, the new Secretary, said petrol

subject to new disturbances, particularly on energy markets. Export markets could be lost, particularly in developing countries faced with greatly increased oil bills, and the growing wave of pessimism about the economy inside Germany could cause psychological could cause psychological damage and harm investor con-fidence. The minister reaffirmed that

the government would not introduce any new spending pro-gramme to stimulate the

He underlined that so long as the current account balance of payments was so deeply in deficit there was no scope for a reduction in interest rates, The main goal of economic policy in these circumstances was to try to remove the block-ages that were bindering investment. The government could best stimulate employment by helping to remove the barriers in the way of new power station projects, housing schemes and the development of Germany's communications network,

But the outcome of the annual round of wage bargaining that is underway in German industry would be of crucial importance.

£16.8m bid for 'Golly' jams group By Peter Wilson-Smith

Avana Group, the Cardifffood manufacturer headed by Sir Julian Hodge, has launched an unwelcome bid for Robertson Foods, makers of "Golly" jams.

Taking advantage of its high share price, Avana is offering three of its own shares for every four Robertson shares. After the news Avana closed 20p lower at 192p valuing Robertson at £16.8m or 144p a share. Shares in Robertson rose 41p yesterday to 140p.

The bid follows talks a week ago between the two companies' at which Robertson said it wished to remain independent. wished to remain independent. Mr Christopher Robertson, chairman, said he had hoped that was the end of the matter and the bid was unwelcome. "Obviously we must consider ft, but we are not enamoured by the figure," he said.

A formal statement from Hill Samuel. Robertson's merchant bankers, advised shareholders to take no action until the board made a further announcement Besides making jams, Robert-son is the second largest corn-flakes manufacturer in Britain

canned foods. It made pretax profits of £2.5m on £85m sales in the year to March 1980 but interim profits to September more of its directors on June 1980: Lombo moves to in-crease Fraser dividend and its board membership defeated July 1980: Wathurg's asks Sir Hugh to resign as chairman August 1980: Mr Rowland voted were down from £1.1m to E750,000. Financial Editor, page 21 l for some companies August 1980: Mr Rowland voted out as Fraser deputy chairman and replaced by Professor Roland Smith. Mr Eruest Sharp appointed to the board November 1980: Fraser announces sale and leaseback of D. H. Evans
December 1980: Lonrbo requisitings special shareholders' meet.

Industry joined in engineering

By Derek Harris Leaders of the engineering profession yesterday refused to cooperate in the operation of the Engineering Council, the new governing body proposed by Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry. They object to the Department of Industry's latest draft charter Industry's latest draft charter for the new body.

and this latest hurdle means that Sir Keith faces serious decould even prevent it being able to dispense professional titles such as that of Chartered The Department of Industry

is probably still hoping to achieve broad backing for the council through further negoti-ation but the profession's refusal to cooperate demonstrated the differences of views of the two parties.

up voluntarily.
The presidents and council

had agreed unanimously that the profession "would not be

Negotiations have already taken more than three months

The statement came from the

able to cooperate" with the ther in that direction although Engineering Council if constitutely seem likely to choose the

because the latest round of negoriations has elicited few concessions from the Depart-

ment of Industry.
Under the proposed charter the new council would lack the independence from external interference that is required of a professional engineering body. It would carry no assurance of improving or even maintaining professional engineering standards, and it failed to take advantage of the experience and expertise of the profes-

sional institutions. It was un-likely to command the support of the institutions' 200,000 members. But the profession made clear it had not turned its back on further negotiations, being willing "to continue to seek a satisfactory solution". Although the Department of lindustry has made further changes in the final draft of the charter the profession is regard-ing them as insignificant in minimizing ministerial influ-ence. It also wants the council to be able to set standards for engineers only in consultation with the institutions and wants with the institutions and wants such standards to carry the stamp of professional and not just technical competence. The issue is how the profes-

sion would be allowed to influence the Engineering Council, although two thirds of the council's governing body

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Bottle of Scotch likely to cost about 30p more from end of February

Spirits sink as the price of a dram rises

The shop price of a bottle Blend and Crawford Three Star of Scotch is likely to rise by from February 24. about 30p at the end of next month, after a round of price increases decided by most of the big distilleries.

The rises, which are blamed on higher costs, follow falling increases, at least initially. The whisky consumption at home rises are likely to lead to an and abroad which has led to overall retail increase of about shorr-time working within some sections of the industry.

The gross wholesale price of that the rise was necessary to a case of 12 bottles of Bells— maintain wholesale margins. the most popular whisky in "We experience rising costs just Britain—is to rise by £4 on like everybody else, and we February 9, Teacher's Highland need to keep up our margins in Cream will increase £3.50 to these difficult times," a com-£65.14 around the same time, and Distillers are adding £3.40 to the cost of a case of White year ago when most distilleries Horse and John Barr and £3.90 Haig, Dewars, Buchanan March Budget added a further

The distilleries have no control over the retail price of Scotch, but because of falling

sales, it is likely that some retailers will absorb part of the rises are likely to lead to an 30p per bottle. The Distillers Company said

We experience rising costs just pany spokesman said. The last increase occurred a.

put on around 20p a bottle. The

50p on to the retail price of a bottle of whisky and helped to accelerate the downward spiral of consumption which has led to depression in a traditionally buoyant sector of British indus-

The whisky companies have already started their propaganda campaign aimed at warding off further duty increases in the Budget. The Scotch Whisky Association claims that last year's duty increases cost the Exchequer £71m in lost revenue from spirits in the first seven months of the financial

The amount of spirits drawn from bond on which duty was paid during that period fell by 23 per cent on the same period of 1979, and domestic consump-

tion in the United Kingdom is thought to have fallen by between 10 and 12 per cent last

The distillers may hope that the latest increase will dissuade Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor, from seeking again to penalize the drinks sector. There has been growing pres-sure from the health lobby to maintain high drink prices on the grounds of the damage that alcoholism causes.

But more worrying for the distillers is the fall in export volume of five per cent last year. The most disappointing results were experienced in the United States where there is reported to be a growing move away from spirits to wine.

David Hewson

resigns as adviser By Our Financial Staff

Hambros

Hambros has resigned as financial adviser to the be-leaguered British Printing Corporation after only four months. The ban ksaid that it was " no longer working for BPC. short period as adviser, Ham-bros had been looking at ways of reconstructing the group

financially, Last July in a "dawn raid", Pergamon Press, Mr Robert Maxwell's private publishing group, acquired 29.5 per cent of BPC, In October Mr John Nort the Secretary of State for Trade at the time, announced that the share deal would not be referred to the Monopolies



Mr Robert Maxwell: Under-stood to have been seeking to join the BPC board. The BPC board complained

about the Maxwell purchase to the Office of Fair Trading. But a Monopolies Commission reference was abandoned and Mr Maxwell commented: 'I now await the board's response to my invitation to hold dignified discussion on how to put this company right". Mir Maxwell is understood to

have been seeking to join the BFC board. He had apparently classied with Hambros in the course of discussions.

It is not clear what role, Varional Westminster, BPC's main banker, are playing in the attempts to put the company on a sounder footing. But it is thought that it hoped to avoid a boardroom clash between those favourable to Mr Maxwell and those who were against him joining the board.

Sick pay protest

employers' protests about government proposals to change sick pay arrangements. It says the proposals would add more than £1m a year to payroll costs

Cooperation refused for **Engineering Council**

presidents of the 16 engineering institutions together with the Council of Engineering Institutions, the present governing body which would be largely superseded by the new council. The council is at present responsible for conferring titles and this power could pass to the Engineering Council only by the former body giving it

tuted as was proposed at pre-route of possibly long-drawn sent. out negotiations rather than

often divided, have closed ranks sion's backing or putting the in opposing the new structure whole project on the shelf.

will be professional engineers. Sir Keith and his advisers seem loath to move much further in that direction although The institutions, which are going ahead without the profes-

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EEC chief warns Tokyo over exports

European Community officials in Tokyo warned Japan yesterday that unless it curbed its exports and increased its purchases it may face new barriers to its booming trade with western Europe.

Sir Roy Denman, the Euro-Commission director-for external relations, pressed Japanese officials for assurances about the volume of exports for Europe this year of cars, electronics and other politically sensitive items.

While Sir Roy made his case for moderation in high-level talks with Japanese government officials, a survey released in Tokyo projected that Japan will produce 11,310,000 will produce 11.310,000 vehicles in 1981. This is up just 2.6 per cent from last year when Japan surpassed the United States for the first time as the world's leading vehicle manufacturer.

The Japan Automobile Manufacturers' Association reported that vehicle exports jumped 30 per cent last year to a record 5.97 million. Exports to the EEC climbed by nearly 21 per cent to 855.974 and to the United States by about 17 per cent to 2.4 million.

Record Ridgway bid

Bahco of Sweden has reached agreement on an increased f4.7m takover bid for Record Ridgway, the Sheffield-based tools manufacturer. The terms of the cash bid have gone up from 37p to 42p a share and are now being recommended by the Record Ridgway directors who had rejected the original £4.1m offer.

US embargo review America is to reconsider the

future of its grain embargo scainst the Sovies Union at a full cabinet meeting, probably next week, Mr John Block the agriculture secretary said. Mr Block said he was not wavering from his opposition to continue the embargo. He described American food prices as a bargain and a modern day miracle of restraint.

Irish borrowing

Mr Charles Murray, Central Bank of Ireland governor, expects the country's balance of payments problem to deteriorate further if present policies are unchanged. Maintaining reserve adequacy alone would require further substantial foreign borrowing this year, he

Champagne sales

French producers delivered 176.5 million bottles of champagne last year, a decline of 4.2 per cent on 1979, the Industry Federation said yesterday. Deliveries to the French marker fell by 5.4 per cent to 121.4 million bottles and exports declined by only 1.3 per cent to 5 million bottles.

Australian inflation Australian inflation, measured

Australian imitation, measured by the weighted average of price rises in seven capital cities, rose to 2.1 per cent in the fourth guarter of 1980 from 1.9 per cent in the pre-vious quarter, but fell from 3 per cent in the same quarter of 1979.

Dutch output rises

The Dutch seasonally adjusted industrial production index rose 1.8 per cent to a provisional 116, base 1975, in November from an upwards re-vised 114 in October. November production was 0.9 per cent below the same month in 1979.

Soviet cruise ship

The Mariya Ermolova, 4,000-tonne Russian ship, will carry 150 passengers from Hull on cruises to Spitzbergen in the Arctic and to Murmansk on each of its four assessment cruises. The first cruise in June is already fully booked.

Mill contract cancelled · China has cancelled a \$420m (about £172.8m) contract with Mitsubishi of Japan for the con-

struction of a steel rolling mill near Shanghai, Mitsubishi said

Aid for Indonesia Belicium has agreed to pro-

vide Indonesia with the equiva-lent of \$20.9m (about £12.7m) in grants, training and technical assistance to build 12 ships for the Indonesian customs service.

Vehicle exports

Japanese motor vehicle ex-ports in 1980 were a record 5.97 million. Exports were up 30.8 per cent over the previous record of 4.56 million in 1979.

Pipeline fivance

A consortium of West German banks is ready in principle to finance a portion of the planned gas pipeline to bring Soviet gas to Western Europe.

Venezuela Euroloan

Venezuela has awarded the mandate for its eight-year 5275m (about £113m) Euroloan to a group of four banks headed by the Swiss Banking Corpora-

Disillusionment grows among foreign investors over costs and politics

BL closure highlights Belgian unrest

BL's decision to close its Seneffe car assembly plant in Belgium is a symptom not only of the British company's own financial problems but also of the growing disillusionment of foreign investors, with the Belgian industrial and political

One of the stark statistics given by BL was that labour costs in Belgium are 61 per cent higher than in the United Kingdom. The increasing political differences between the Flemings and Walloons, high interest rates, government policies that are blamed for dangerously declining profitability and increasing economic and social unrest are additional problems for

The Seneffe closure is not the first to hit Belgium's motor industry, which is exclusively car assembly. Peugeot and Saab left Belgium in 1977 and at the end of last year the French Citroen operation was shut. More recently Renault has been threatening to stop further investment in

The two closures leave Belgium with The two closures leave Belgium with five big car assemblers, of which two are American and three European. The largest is General Motors, which produced 340,673 cars in: 1979, followed by Ford of Germany (314,318), Renault (161,898), Volkswagen (121,029) and Volvo (47,726). BL assembled 52,068 cars in Belgium in 1979 and Citroen made 38,172 which together accounted for 8.4 per cent of the total.

Much of the foreign-mostly multina-

Protest by

NEDO on

By Peter Hill

energy costs

Economic Development Office

is planning to write to Mr David

per cent should be proposed on industrial electricity prices

before the task force, appointed by NEDO had submitted its

report. Dr David Atterton, chairman

of the working party, said yes-terday that he was "shattered and annoyed" by the proposed rises in view of the investiga-

tions being undertaken by

that they are paying dispropor-tionately more for electricity, gas and fuel oil than European

competitors.
The working party bas also expressed reservations about the composition of the task

force, which includes no repre-

sentatives of major using in-dustries.

Short-time

car industry

By Frances Williams

More and more workers are beginning to suffer as the recession bites further into employment and earnings. At the end of last year unemployment continued to rise, overtime was reduced and there was more short-time working, plus a decline in productivity, with manufacturing industry still the worst affected.

Figures published yesterday in the Department of Employment Gazette show that in mid-November one in three shoo-

November one in three shop-floor workers in the car industry were on short-time. Concentration of this industry in the West Midlands has

pushed up the numbers on

short time there to a quarter of all manual workers in manu-

facturing, almost double the proportion in the next most

affected region in Great Britain,

Other industries hit by short-

time working were metal manu-facture, shipbuilding, coron

textiles and footwear, with a fifth to a quarter of their manual workers affected.

Total hours lost through short-time in manufacturing rose 3 per cent in a month to

November. More than half a million are

now on short time, but the number of hours lost per worker fell slightly, from 15.4

to 14.0 hours a week.

Overtime working fell from
8.99 million hours a week in
October to 8.59 million in
November on a seasonally
adjusted basis. This represents
a substantial slowing down of
the decline in overtime seen in
the two months to October.
The two months to October.

the two months to October. But it is only just over half the amount of overtime worked a

Employment in manufactur-

ing continued to decline rapidly in November, with 85,000 jobs lost, the same as in October, and more than twice the average

monthly fall in the first quarter

The Gazette points out that threequarters of a million jobs have been lost in manufacturing since mid-1979, compared with a loss of 600,000 jobs in the previous recession in the two years to mid-1976.

Almost all industrial sectors

are cutting jobs, including the

service sector which was, in the

decade to 1979, the major source of new work.

the corresponding rise in un-employment, mainly because some have retired early and others, principally married women, have ceased to look for

Productivity in manufacturing foll 3! per cent between the third quarters of 1979 and 1980.

But the fall in employment has not been fully reflected in

to 14.0 hours a week.

year earlier.

hardost

By Frances Williams

in these figures was made in the 1960s. when the country was recognized as an attractive entry point for the rest of Europe. Belgium, particularly for the car makers, was seen as the ideal venue for additional production lines and BL, which began operations in Seneffe in 1965, seized the opportunity to acquire a jump-ing off point into the surrounding big markets of France and West Germany.

Belgium offered a pool of skilled, highly productive workers, economic sta-bility and a central position in Western Europe. Foreign investment, of which 65 per cent came from American companies,

By 1979, however, foreign investment in manufacturing in Belgium had slumped to 90 per cent of the 1969 figure and the makers were in the forefront in rethinking their investment decisions.

out Europe declining rapidly, the big Belgian car plants, which produced mostly for export, were forced to cut back. Ford, General Motors and Volvo intro-duced short time working, BL's plant was operating for only one week in four and it was estimated that total Belgian car

Last autumn, with new car sales through-

on 1979.

The cuts highlighted the vulnerability of the Belgian industry to market changes and the fact that decisions affecting the plants were taken outside the country and specifically in Germany.

output in 1980 would be 5 per cent down

Ford Werke's plant at Genk in Flanders, for example, is in effect a branch of Ford Cologne and normally 43 per cent of its output is sold in Germany and only -5 per cent in Belgium. · · · · · -

Of the total of just over one million cars assembled in Belgium in 1979, 986,000 were exported almost all of them to Germany, the United Kingdom, France, The Netherlands and Italy.

At home, the Belgian Government has been unable to halt the increasing flow of imported Japanese cars, another factor that has angered some of the foreign companies with Belgian assembly facilities. Renault's threatened investment freeze was a direct result of the apparent unwillingness to curb Japanese car sales in Belgium.

Berween 1974 and 1980, the Japanese share of the Belgian car market rose from 13 to 25 per cent. Last year the market declined by 5.2 per cent while the share captured by the Japanese, led by Toyota, Honda and Nissan, rose by 28.6 per cent on the previous year.

The one consolation for the Belgians in the latest car industry closure is that BL will continue to use Seneffe as its European pre-delivery inspection point although there must be fears among the remaining 500 workers that this operation could easily and quickly be transferred

Edward Townsend

Move to ease industry gas burden ruled out

By John Huxley Ministers have ruled out any move to accelerate domestic Protests are to be lodged with the Secretaries of State for Energy and Industry over the scale of increases planned in gas price increases as part of a long-term strategy to ease tariffs paid by industrial users.
The Government decided last industrial electricity tariffs.

The iron and steel sector working party of the National

year that domestic prices should increase at 10 per cent above inflation over each of the three years to 1983, by which time tariffs would reach "economic" Howell and Sir Keith Joseph expressing concern that in-creases of between 14 and 16

However, it has been urged by some industry leaders to speed up this process, and re-lieve some of the burden on business consumers. Among the advocates of this policy is Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary of State for Industry.

Yesterday, Mr David Howell, the Secretary of State for Energy, told MPs that he had turned down this suggestion, as he had done to British Gas requests that the three-year transition period be extended. He said that it was a case of having to strike a balance between domestic and industrial users. Mr Howell was

The task force is examining the problems faced by the iron and steel, chemicals, paper and board and foundries industries over fuel prices. The industries claim several detailed studies have shown conclusive evidence evidence to the Commons select conducting a short study of energy pricing policy. He said that the department would not adopt the buckshot policies, which would attend to solve which would attempt to solve the problems of British industry by offering a general reduction in its energy costs.

To "wade off into the wilderness of subsidies, controls and
the rest" would be to throw
public money away in a misguided attempt to help industries which had particular
and separate difficulties.

The Covernment

The Government's view remained that evergy must be priced according to economic principles which took account of the cost of supply on a communing, long-term basis. Within these guidelines, energy supply industries were expected show flexibility.

"Artificial under-pricing or blanket subsidies to industrial users would be a waste of national resources," he explained in a note to the committee. He went on: "If any action is called for, it must be precisely directed.

This was already being done in a number of areas and specific cases, British Gas was investigating the introduction of a new type of interruptible contract for industrial users; electricals tricity supply industry officials were reviewing the bulk supply Mr Howell sald his depart-

ment was anxious to take up any cases of alleged unfair energy pricing by industry's rivals overseas. He said the department maintains that there is no convincing evidence that for the vast majority of United Kingdom industrialists energy costs are out of line with Europe".

Minister's warning on cheap oil By Our Industrial Staff

of Energy Economics in London that it would discourage the search for new oil and other energy sources, boost usage and shackle British industry to energy-intensive processes When North Sea oil was ex-

hausted. Britain would face a world in which energy was scarce and expensive and our competitors had adapted to low-energy efficient industrial processes Moreover, in selling North

Sea oil cheap, Britain would not be able to prevent other countries buying it at knockdown prices and reaping the profit.

Mr. Howell said that oil pro-ducers and consumers had a common interest in preserving a stable market. "That is not to say that oil prices should not rise. But it does mean that any increase must be both of a magnitude that our economies can absorb and of a reasonably steady and predictable nature. "Higher prices have tended to come in jumps. These have a particularly adverse impact

It would be the height of folly for Britain to live cheaply off its own oil, Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Energy, said yesterday.

He told the British Institute

through the strong cyclical behaviour of the world econ-

COUNTRY PROPERTIES

How fuel costs hit elderly more and more money for their From Mr John Brag labours, but the elderly, the production of whose bodily heat is Sir, Some years ago we were on the decline, need special protection. For those over 70, especially those retired from the

From Mr R. A. Butler From Mr Anthony Tinkel

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told of the benefits which would arise from the vast fields of gas discovered under the North Sea. Shortly thereafter gas technicians arrived ar our houses and altered the burners in our cook-ing stoves and central heating plants and made our gas fires obsolete and unworkable. In spite of this cornucopia of gas, prices have steadily risen and, we are now told, are to rise

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assault on the House of Fraser. Almost a decade ago Mr Rowland cut a swathe through another board of directors—on that occasion his own-in order to regain. domination of Lonrho. He was backed in doing so by loyal small shereholders but he succeeded also in seriously embarrassing the Heath Government.

He has now bought into, needled, cajoled, harassed and finally bid for House of Fraser. The City stands by bemused and faintly in awe of events. But there is public by disquiet about the situation and the possibility must be that the antics of Mr Rowland is and Sir Hugh Fraser will again bring down in the wrath of Whitehall.

The similarity to the "Lourho Affair" of the early 1970s becomes still more pronounced when the motivation of Lonrho is taken into account. That earlier furore was started by Lonrho's requirement for cash. It was generating plenty of profit



Professor Roland Smith, the new House of Fraser chairman after yesterday's meeting.

oversees but was unable to remit it back to his country. A frenzied programme of United Kingdom acquisitions followed in the mid-1970s.

However, the recession has upset the earnings ability of those companies, so Mr Rowland's new buccaneering venture again seems to be aimed at restructuring Lonrho's balance sheet. Meanwhile the sheer extravagance of his stalking of House of Fraser, impossible in the years of regulation and restriction after the last battle, has been implicitly sanctioned by the political mood,

But has Mr Rowland exploited a mood and created a monster? For buried somewhere beneath this recent history of corporate brutalism there is an indisputably important public company which has been leprived of its stability by an extraordinary lash of personalities. Yet who is left to protest? The institutions argue that the Tall is now out of their court: a bid is on he table and shareholders are free to take

Should the Government intervene? The bvious weapon would be a Monopolies ommission reference, but Mr Rowland resumably feels relatively relaxed about his after his success with the SUITS eference.

As it happens second thoughts had House f Fraser shares retreating to well below onrho's cash price vesterday and one cason obviously was the fear of a Monoolies reference. There is, after all, a precedent in the referral of the Boots bid

or Fraser in November, 1973. - But even leaving this aside it does little to nake Fraser look attractive to third parties, or example, property companies. The biggest of these are unlikely to be interested because at £200m, the value of the Lonrho offer, Fraser is priced above the market capitalizations of all but the top concerns and these have evinced no interest in taking on the problems of running department

stores, let alone those at Fraser. Clearly, for a wouldbe developer to go through the entire Fraser portfolio from Perth to Tunbridge Wells would be a major task, and the suspicion must be that Harrods and stores in Tunbridge Wells apart, a lot of the others would simply be encumbrances.
Planning difficulties would be numerous and who would want to develop in decaying rity centres? It is well known that scores of Fraser stores have been losing money, and the established view, obscured tem-porarily by the influx of American and Arab visitors, is that the department store busi-

tess is in irreversible decline. There must be a possibility of a large nternational business such as BAT or Consolidated Goldfields pendering Fraser 15 an addition to United Kingdom profits, which was, after all, why Lonrho got anvolved. There could, one supposes, be a oreign bidder but presumably not Carter

An uncanny air of deja vu clings to Lonrho's Hawley Hale which was shrewd enough to sell its stake to Lonrho. So there is no need to doubt the eagerness with which Lourbo would accept a price of more than 150p a share for its Fraser holding; unhappily this eagerness could be matched by a lack of

Lonrho's position

As for Lonrho's bid it could be a case of "heads I win tails you lose," for Mr Rowland. On paper at least, whatever the

outcome of yesterday's assault it cannot be worse than financing a Fraser stake worth almost £70m returning less than 5 per cent in dividends. Suggestions that the property revaluation

at House of Fraser could lift asset value from below 170p a share to almost £3 could be exaggerated. But anything near this figure could mean Lonrho adding something like £150m to net worth if successful at

The £158m cost of taking over Fraser may look huge against Lourho's own capitaliza-tion of over £250m, but that does not allow for the eccentric relationship between the group's stock market rating and its balance

Basing estimates on latest figures at the time of Lonrho's autumn rights issue to raise £35m, they roup has net debt of possibly under £300m—excluding £80-£90m export financing—against shareholders funds of over £460m. Free cash could be close to £80m.

Of course City expectations are for Lonrho's profits due next month to rise by almost half to around £125m on the back of booming returns in Africa. "Low-quality" these earnings may be, but they seem to bave a habit of coming to Lourho's rescue when good old-fashioned British assets fail to produce the goods.

In the longer run of course department stores may be heading for extinction in which case Fraser's assets value could prove almost unreal. However, it is hard to imagine that Fraser's High Street properties could not be made to work as incidentally the controversial £29m D. H Evans sale and leaseback deal shows.

Apprehension sent Lonrho's shares down another 2p to 97p yesterday but the only real fear for Mr Rowland's loyal band, at least as far as this deal is concerned, must be that he will be chased up to much higher ground in the face of opposition. Dis-gruntled shareholders in Fraser may yet prevent this though by baling out at an exit price which could be around 18 times earnings on profits due to come out in April.



The fast-growing food manufacturer. Avana Group, chaired by Sir Julian Hodge (above), has picked the right moment to pounce on Robertson Foods—a group with nearly twice the sales but half the profits of Avana.

Robertson has a pedestrian profit record, hovering around £2m to £21m pretax ever since 1973 and profits in the year to next March are unlikely to show progress Over the past year, however, Robertson has made a concerted effort to pull its preserves busi-ness—still about two-fifths of sales—into shape with closures and disposals which have also helped to cut borrowings.

But at the moment Robertson can still only promise jam tomorrow. The benefits of reorganization will not show through until 1981-82. So if Robertson does fight the bid it may find that shareholders prefer to trust in the more dynamic approach of Avana which more than quadrupled profits to £4m in the four years to last March. Last year Avana's shares outperformed

the market by 85 per cent and the group is taking full advantage of its highly-rated paper. Even after yesterday's 20p drop to 192p, the all-share offer values Robertson at -a 45 per cent premium on the overnight price. But the bearing in the section of

Economic notebook

The last of the big spenders

"Unbelieving monetarists" was the phrase used to describe the Treasury under the last Govern-ment and, as is so often the case, unbelievers bring a special dedication to their task.

Sir Keith Joseph has drifted into becoming an "unbelieving interventionist" at the Department of Industry. The extent to which this process has led him to subvert the whole logic of the Government's policy was made extraordinarily clear in his unhappy defence on Mon-day of the decision to give BL the £990m it wanted to finance its corporate plan.

This defence is the same as BL's. The company really made great strides last year, but was blown off course by a high exchange rate. "The strong pound is the main reason... for the need to ask for Covernment funding additional to the ment funding additional to that in the 1980 plan", BL said. This view was endorsed publicly by Sir Keith.

It opens the way for endless demands from state-owned industries. The BL plan assumes that the pound will have an average exchange rate of 74 on the Bank of England index this year compared with its present level of 81. (This Index is calculated by the Branch of Br culated by the Bank in a way which takes account of the trading importance for the United Kingdom of the world's major currencies.)

currencies.)

If the Government believes that, it is keeping very quiet about it. If it does not then the same logic which gave BL £990m would justify giving it further belp. If the pound stays at its present level, £990m will not be enough,

Will Sir Keith go on television, then, to explain why he is responding favourably to the

vision, then, to explain why he is responding favourably to the telegram from Sir Michael Edwardes saying: "Corporate plan working perfectly. Send more money"?

Nor does it stop at BL. The British Steel Corporation needs a further huge injection of cash. The pound is something like 10 per cent too high for ESC.

10 per cent too high for BSC to compete with German producers. Rolls-Royce built its whole corporate plan around a falling exchange rate. Further

help is now needed. So far, Sir Keith and the Government have been fairly discriminating in at least one sense. be private sector has received little or no help in coping with its own problems of living with he exchange rate. Companies have merely received pep talks about "the need to live within our means ".

This policy is now clearly breaking down. A major programme of industrial help is being prepared within White-hail, including some straight cash grants. Where BL leads, Talbot will not be far behind.

Package of measures

But it also involves more subtle forms of industrial aid. The stock relief provisions of the 1975 Budget are being changed to help industry even when speck levels fall. There is k levels fall. There is a good chance that the payment of regional development grants will be speeded up. A whole package of measures, all of which will cost government money, are under discussion. All these things, will be paid

for by increasing the tax on individuals. This has a logic of a kind behind it. The fashionable rationalization within government runs as follows:

North Sea oil has imposed a quite unexpected revaluation

on sterling. There is nothing we can do to stop this. Attempts to hold down the value of the pound will either mean we lose our grip on the money supply or will lead to a sharp depreciation. Either way, we shall be faced with a surge in inflation. The right solution, it is steped is therefore to do industrial base of the country which are worst hit by sterling's appreciation. On this basis, Sir Keith is

doing extremely well. But there are two things wrong with this approach. One is that the claim that nothing can be done about the exchange rate is false. A lot could be

that the Government is hooked on the anti-inflationary fix which an overvalued exchange

The second failure of analysis comes from not realizing where this approach leads.

Let us assume that it becomes part of government policy to protect the corporate sector from the impact of ex-change rate appreciation. It can do this through the route, apparently favoured by Sir Keith Joseph, of stepping up public spending. Or there could be cuts in corporate taxation.

But, if the Government believes in controlling the growth of the domestic money supply, this leads to one of two equally unpalatable courses of One is to raise taxes on the personal sector, which seems to be its present policy. Yet this makes nonsense of Sir Keith's vision of supply side economics.

Interest.

rates

Paying out government assistance to industry which is financed by taxes on individuals is not what "The Right Approach" to the economy is meant to be about. It is, in economic terms, an even big-ger extension of the Government's role in the economy that the imposition of import controls to help industry.

The other option for the Government would be to go on spending money, but to keep tight control of the money supof interest rates, This, too, is completely out of line with what the Government says it wants to do.

wants to do.

It is also, against the background of a predetermined
monetary target, a recipe for a
vicious circle. High interest
rates lead to a high exchange
rate. This leads to the need for more public assistance which requires higher interes rates. In turn we get a higher exchange rate and the process

What has happened is this. The Government's obsession about not intervening in the foreign exchange markets has become an engine which risks breeding unlimited amounts of government support for industry. This assistance will not be seen the bind which will provide of the kind which will provide the capital equipment needed for a sound recovery in the second half of the decade. Instead, it will simply be used to cover current losses in tra-ditional industries.

If this help is not given, the industries will close down and unemployment will rise. There are those who believe that North Sea oil will lead inexorably and desirably to the closure of big chunks of our manufacturing industry. Were it not facturing industry. Were it not for the fact that economists and the Department of Industry do not seem to go together, this is the choice of which Sir Keith

would be aware. a perfectly sensible course which could be followed. This is to accept that economic policy deals with the things which it can cope with, like the overall level of demand. Industrial policy deals with quite different things, such as imper-fections in the market If that attitude were adopted,

there would be no shortage of projects on which Sir Keith could spend money and he would also be able to justify good slice of help for BL. lastead, he has become the last of the big spenders, while preaching the principles of cutting spending.

A large part of Sir Keith's thinking on economics has revolved around the idea that the consumer should decide in the market. Economists who something quite different. This analyse consumer behaviour is to help those sectors of the rely a lot on the idea of revealed preference, which comes down to the idea that you judge what people want by what they do. On that basis, the Secretary of State for Industry makes most of his colleagues look like fervent

David Blake

Polish coal miners on strike last year at a colliery near Katowice: coal production has fallen sharply since the Gdansk agreements which gave the miners important concessions. Mounting pressures on Poland's economy

Poland's tangled financial problems will have to be put back on the international agenda soon. It is the political aspects of the crisis-the strikes and the internal squabbles within the communist party which hog the television screens and acres of newsprint day after day. Much less artention has been paid to the economic instability of the country. Yet it is this which has given rise to the present political upheavals and the problem will not go sway.

The conflict between the Solidarity union and the government over ending Saturday working is directly related to the problems which Polish industry is facing. The government claims that it cannot grant a five-day week outright, as agreed in Gdansk last year, because of the difficulties which this would impose on industrial production and because of the need to export.

Coal production, for example, has fallen sharply since the Gdansk agreements which gave miners important concessions in their working conditions. This has affected exports to such countries as East Germany, which traditionally relies on Polish coal.

The problems in Poland's farming areas are adding to the difficulties. If the country is ever to get out of its present plight it will have to rely heavily on improved agriculture.

Last year Poland had to import some 8 million tonnes of grain and more than 1 million tonnes of animal feed. The government erhment hopes that eventually it will be able to halve grain imports, thereby giving the eco-nomy a much needed breathing

in fact, in such conditions the balance of trade would move into a comfortable surplus and the whole question of inter-national debts would take on a less forbidding aspect. But that hope is forlorn.

There is no prospect of much improved food production. Because of crop failures last year and a poor planting season the spring barvests this year will again be disappointing.

Moreover, the present struggles in the countryside for the right to form independent peasant unions is in the short term also affecting food output.
Umil some agreement is reached between the government and the peasants on much needed reforms, real improvements in agriculture will not take place; This again is likely to have an adverse impact on Poland's foreign trade,

Last year Poland was budget-ing for a modest surplus on its trade account, but it has missed the target, possibly by a wide margin. Towards the end of last year Polish officials were expecting a deficit of perhaps \$500m, but western observers now believe that when the full figures are published the defi-cit could turn out to more than

This year too, with industrial

production still affected and with mounting debt obligations, Poland's foreign balance will still be largely in deficit. The trade account, which early last year was expected to be in surplus in 1981, is likely to remain in the red.

of their governments. And the Reagan Administration in the new Reagan Administration in the United States has made things sometimes have played a leading role in lending or arranging credits for Poland and they are likely to in the red.

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This is the background to the financial negotiations which will be taking place this year with western creditors. The present position regarding Poland's debts is sbrouded in mystery and there is certainly no evidence that major negotiations are taking place at the moment.

But Poland now has some \$24,000m of debts to western creditors—excluding short-term commitments - and will this year be seeking some \$9,000m to \$10,000m, including money for repayment of debts coming up to redemption and fresh loans for imports. It is difficult to see how it will work out in practice.

The debts can be broadly

classified into two categoriesthose which are owed to western banks and those which are backed by foreign government credit guarantee schemes. These operate in all western countries on lines similar to Britain's Export Credit Guarantee Department.

There are no figures available to show how much has been lent to Poland under the government guarantee schemes, but most observers believe that a large proportion of the total debt has been backed by such guarantees. Britain's own government-guaranteed Polish debt amounts to about £2,600m.

In the past two months representatives of countries in the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development sale, on credit terms of grain have held several meetings in and meat from the Com-Paris to discuss the question. Officially, nothing has emerged from these talks, which have been held in some secrecy, but more meetings are scheduled in the coming weeks. These are likely to take place between the credit guarantee organizations and Polish officials.

In Poland itself talk of a moratorium on debts or even rescheduling them has been officially rejected. This could in the end turn out to be the only feasible and realistic solution to the problem, but the Poles fear that such an outcome could lead to a slump in the

So far the Poles have been punctilious in meeting debt repayments when these fall due. Even though commercial banks are wary of making further loans to the country, the repayments are all being paid on time. As a leading banker: puts it: "So far they have honoured to the letter their obligations to commercial banks."

But no major international loan operation seems to be in preparation at the moment. Polish officials have certainly been talking to western banks but until the country's internal situation is clarified they do not seem to expect large new commitments from these private

The banks in any case would, in this instance, follow the lead

Poland and they are likely to wait and see what the attitude of the new administration is

going to be.
The Carter Administration was by and large in favour of helping Poland, but it is not clear what the Reagan govern-ment will do. The Poles ere hopeful. As one leading mini-ster said to me: "After all. Republican administrations have historically proved better for

Meanwhile, some help for the beleaguered Polish economy has come both from the Comecon block and from EEC countries. It is not at all clear how much the Soviet Union has lent to Poland in hard currency in the past few months, but most observers reckon that the aid has been substantial. Some estimares put it as high as \$1,000m.
But besides hard currency

loans—a large proportion of which may well have been used to pay back western loans and preserve the credit of the whole Soviet block—the Soviet Union and the other Comecon countries have given direct aid terms of food and other products.

The European Community as a group and individual European countries have been helping, too. In December the EEC member countries agreed to supply Poland with foodstuff at favourable prices. The overall agreement was for a total of about \$300m and since then several countries have sent their agreed share of subsidized

exports to Poland.
The package included the munity's reserves. Britain, for example, is sending 1,000 tons of mest which is being sold at 34p a pound, while the average production cost is more than £1. Britzin is also selling 175,000 tonnes of home grown

barley. Britain has made available to Poland a £30m line of govern-ment backed credits, part of an ment backed creents, part of an interim aid arrangement for Poland agreed by the EEC. Half of the money is for refinancing existing debts and half for food purchases.

In December Germany guaranteed DM300m of credits for Poland of which DM70m was for food under the EEC agree-But these are very much

temporary arrangements to meet a critical situation. Most creditors, including the banks, are waiting to see how the internal situation develops in Poland. The attitude of the new American government will also be crucial.

The idea of a moratorium is gaining ground to treat what is likely to be an otherwise untractable situation. Even though the Poles are reluctant, the final deal that emerges could well avoid the word, while effectively including the sub-stance of a comprehensive debt rescheduling package.

Roman Eisenstein

Business Diary: Gap in the Siemens saga . Abbey Natural

for the first time in its 133rear history Siemens AG, West ermany's leading electrical concern, no longer has a memner of the founding family at

The seventieth

oday of Peter von Siemens marks the end of a career with he company of nearly half a tepped down after a nine and half year stint as Siemens upervisory board chairman. He shared the running of the roup with Bernhard Plettner, who, at the age of 66, now noves up from being chairman

I the managing board into Von iemens' shoes. Pletmer is an engineer by pbringing and will be re-laced by another engineer, arlheinz Kaske, as chief

xecutive of the group.
But these changes do not ecessarily mean that the amily is losing control of the ompany. It still has an esti-apital of 1,910m Deutche narks (about £390m) and there

s a crown prince. Plemner, who has been aptly escribed as the major-domo of ne Siemens family, is likely to unction as regent until Peter arl von Siemens, the 43-yearld son of the newly retired upervisory board chairman, is cady to take over.

At present Peter Carl is a enior manager with the comany, but, insiders say, it will e some time before the call



Oh, I agree. Labour's in disarray and so are the Conservatives, but what proof have you that a Centre Party wouldn't also be in disarray?"

vestors to worry, though. The assets are literally "liquid". What is more, in view of the building societies sober image,

the liquid is water. Abbey National House, the society's headquarters, are in Baker Street, London, and like many another building on that thoroughfare it is claimed to be on the site of Sherlock Holmes's chambers at 221b— had either he or that number

ever existed, that is. Abbey National's HQ, is how-

Abbey National chief general ever, incontestably on the site manager Clive Thornton has -or 600 ft above it of an decided to sell some of the artesian well. The staff have assets of this, the country's been drinking the water from second biggest building society. it for years and now Thornton There is no need for in- and Abbey National plan to bottle it under the name "221B" and test market it through an hotel chain.

> Thornton said yesterday that the water had been pronounced "very good" after tests in Germany, although whether or not this was at the Reichenbach Falls I am unable to say. I tried to think what Holmes

would have made of all this, if pressed by the good doctor, and the best I could come up with was: "Alimentary, my dear Watson."

To the question Do you have, or would you print, a foreign language guide to Soho for businessmen?" the GLC replied: "No, and we would be in trouble with our ratepayers if we did.". Westminster Council said that

its only foreign guide was a set parking instructions in Italian, French, German and Arabic. And the London Tourist Board said: Sobo is part of that the value of unclaimed the business scene, but we Premium Bond prizes exceeded don't publish anything like the Hamburg guide."

I put the question to them after seeing the English edition of Hamburg City Council's guide to their fair city, which includes a section on the Reeperbahn.

"The basic rule is to realize that one cannot buy a luxury cabriolet for the price of an old second-hand Mini. Avoid the cheap bars and low class hotels around the Hans-Albert-Platz and on the fishmarket: "In the smart contact cafes

like the Lausen and the Mehrer, in bars of such hotels as the Luxor, Nobistor, Clubhotel, Columbus and Princess you can meet excitingly beautiful and well-dressed girls and you will have no trouble with these lovelies."

It also lists " safe " sex shows, and advises travellers to eat a good square meal before boozing, never to take a cheque book and not to go alone.



● Ernie became a millionaire yesterday at the ripe old age of 24, when the Department of film for the first time since the draw in June 1957.

There are 27,522 prizes outstanding, whose total value is £1,007,075. The highest value prizes are three of £5,000 and 26 of £1,000, although most are of £25 and £50.

The cash, the department told me yesterday, cannot be reinvested in Ernie because there is no time limit for the claiming of prizes. The winner can have them at any time, however belatedly. This is just as well, as some of the money has been sloshing around since Year One.

So far, Ernie's biggest prize the monthly £250,000—has always been claimed as have the weekly £100,000 and £50,000 and £25,000 jackpots. More than 47 million prizes worth over 5732m have been paid out. Unclaimed prizes are listed quarterly in the London Gazette Supplement and at main post offices.

O Considering how little Roy Jenkins is supposed to have helped himself as a politician by his taste for high life and fine claret, some were surprised to see that other underemployed politician and wouldbe Centrist, Edward Heath, singing for his supper at an ostentatious event at the Mansion House this week.

The occasion was a dinner to launch a Hennessy brandy called Paradis, which is to retail at the exceptional price of £65 a bottle.

Heath's speech, nominally on the theme of European unity, was of no great profundity, but he did suggest that to coment Angio-French relations Paradis should be spekt with a final "e", like Concorde.

Lord Windlesham, Heath's Minister of State for Northern Ireland and subsequently Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the Lords, is a direct descendant of the Richard Hennessy who founded the company.

The British Airways office in Buckingham Palace Road, London, has received from a publisher of directories a parcel of books addressed to "Birming-ham Palace Road". Perhaps the sender should consult his own directories.

Ross Davies

Raeburn Investment **Trust Limited**

Year ended 30th November 1980 1979 Value of net assets £57,375.022 £41,850,104 £3,323,450 Gross revenue £3,391,676

Per 25p Stock unit:--Net asset value 'Earnings

6.94p 6.35p

Dividend *excluding special dividends of 0.90p

The Chairman, Mr. D. Meinertzhagen, comments: In contrast to many aspects of the UK economy itself, the London equity market was buoyant and rose by some 33 per cent. during the year. The same can be said of Wall Street where the Standard & Poors composite index rose by 32 per cent. The net asset value of our ordinary stock units has risen by 36.9 per cent. to 215.6p.

Gross revenue declined slightly, largely because of a reduction in deposit interest received. However, it has proved possible to consolidate the strong advance in revenue achieved in 1979 which included special non-recurring dividends following the ending of dividend controls. Earnings per ordinary stock unit have in consequence risen to 6.94p against 5.81p excluding the non-recurring income of 0.9p.

While it is unlikely that the company's revenue will continue to improve in the manner of the last two years and may even decline, given the present economic difficulties and probably lower interest rates, the revenue reserves ramain considerable and with this in mind, the Board are recommending a final of 4.35p which together with 2.0p paid at the interim stage, makes a total of 6.35p. Thus, shareholders will receive a payment which matches last year's dividend including the special dividend in respect of non-recurring

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Stock markets

Equities lower on short-term profit-taking

suddenly retreated yesterday as ver recent warnings on the "tap" brought a sharp halt to conomy, withdrew their suport.

Two days of selective buying the previous day's rally.

Dealers believe that over f600m of the £1,000m of stock investors, apparently nervous over recent warnings on the economy, withdrew their sup-

in a thin market quickly evaporated as short-term operators took their profits after further consideration of the CBI's latest short-term outlook for the economy, which made gloomy

Nevertheless, dealers reported that the undertone remained firm with only small amounts of stock on offer. Interest was still apparent in some of the more popular sectors, including oils, electricals and insurance, but even these closed below

After being only 0.3 down at 10 am, the FT Index drifted steadily throughout the day, to close 8.0 down at 459.4.

Market activity was disturbed

around funchtime by news htat Londro had faunched a £225m bid for the shares in House of Fraser it does not already own after the ousting of Sir Hugh Fraser as chairman and his replacement by Professor Roland

Initial reaction from the Jobbers was one of anger at the "badly handled" announce-ment, followed by one of scepticism of Loutho's ability to finance the deal. Shares of Fraser were marked up 25p in the wake of the 150p-a-share offer, but settled at 141p, amid
selling by several institutions, a pet rise on the day of 22p.

Lonrho, on the other hand, closed 2p lighter at 97p.

Business after hours was also interupted by the surprise bid for Robertson Foods, up 41p at the foods are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pretax and earnings are net. *=includes special dividend of 1p; f=net income.

Briefly

Assam Trading (Holdings): A letter to shareholders says that recent property transactions have left the overall net asset value of the company virtually unchanged. It has achieved an immediate increase in net sanual rental income of £42,700 although the full benefit will not be reflected until the year end. South Roodepoort Main Reef Areas: Pretax profits for quarter to September 30, 1980, R268,000 (£149,000). For year to June 30, 1980, revised pretax profit is R38,000 (£49,000).
Witwaterstand Nigel: Pretax profits for quarter to December 31, 1980, R1.2m (£668,000), compared with R673,000 (£374,000) for quarter to September 30, 1980 and R3.26m (£1.81m) for year to June 30, 1980. Scottish American Investment: Gross income for year to December 31, 1980, £5.23m (£4.62m). Net income, £2.3m (£4.62m). Net income, £2.3m (£4.62m). Total gross payment, 5.71p (5p). Ashdown Investment Trust: Gross revenue for year to November 30, 1980, £1.32m (£1.31m). Pretax profits, £1.14m (£1.13m). Total dividend, 8.85p (9.42p, facluding special dividend of 1.42p). First Castle Electronics has recently issued full details of acquisition of Fleetworld. Initial consideration for acquisition is £300,000 payable in shares.

consideration for acquisition is £300,000 payable in shares. M. J. Gleeson (Contractors): Mr

P. Gleeson, chairman, told the

J. P. Gleeson, chairman, told the annual meeting that work shortages in the public sector were
becoming still more acute and that
the board cannot be sure that
current levels of turnover will be
maintained in the year to June,
1981 Croup's profit property for

1981. Group's profit prospect for the next year or two will become

more dependent on the final

settlement of past contracts and its increasing activities in the private sector.

largest electrical group, announced yesterday that it

plans to pay an unchanged dividend of DM8 per DM50

At the same time, it released

cover the dividend, the com-

pany will be able to put only DM181m of last year's profit

into open reserves, against DM244m the year before.

Notwithstanding this setback.

West Germany's

From Peter Norman

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largest

Siemens,

DM1,770m.

After early attempts at ex- 140p, by Avana Foods, which tending recent gains, the market closed 20p lower at 192p. Selling in gilts by investors

> Wilkins & Mitchell, the Midlands "Servis" domestic appliance manufacturer whose shares were languishing at 24p recently, saw the price rise 4p to 39p on local busing which triggered hid rumours. The board, which announced a £488,000 interim loss last October, and passed the divi-dend, were meeting yesterday

offered has been applied for, which means it will probably operate as a "tap" when dealings begin today. In longs, initial rises of around £1 gave way to never selling which saw prices close unchanged on the day. At the shorter end, falls of around £1 were re-ported after earlier rises of £16. Leading industrials fared better than of late, but turned easier at the close, ICI ended

document and recommendation will be posted on February 2.

Northern Rock Building Society: Assets for 1980 rose 18.43 per cent to £679m, Advances £117m (£100m).

Alva Investment Trust: Nav per share at December 31 210p (188.3p).

Babco/Record Ridgway: Boards of Babco and Record say that agreement has now been reached on terms of a revised cash offer for Record on following basis: for each existing ordinary share of 25p in Record—42p in cash, Offer, values record at £4.7m.

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4p lighter at 286p on reports of layoffs totalling 6,000 with similar losses in Beecham at 196p and Glaxo at 256p.

Further reports that a lead-

ing engineering group had its back to the wall saw falls in GKN, 9p lower at 134p, Tube Investments, 6p off at 132p, and John Brown, 3p down at 60p. Reed International, which reported recently, held steady at 183p but BAT, reporting soon, eased at 2 to 251p.

eased 2p to 251p.
Among companies reporting yesterday, Louis Newmark fell 5p to 350p, Whitworth Elec, 5p to 56p, Scottish, English and

to 55p, Scottish, English and European Textiles, 4p to 65p, and DF Bevan, 2p to 15p, Cousideration of recent figures saw MFI rally 1p to 15p, and Stewart Plastics, 10p to 86p, while in foods, Glass, Glover added 3p to 57p, but Associated Dairies shed another 2p to 180p in the walke of its 2p to 180p in the wake of its £45m cash call, F. Pratt, reporting today, climbed 3p to 53p, along with Horizon Travel, adding 9p to 165p;
Shares of Greenbank, suspended in December, were requoted 66p-higher at 151p after a bid from Malton Finance, and the state of the state

Latest results

But continuing fears over the resistance to the bid from Enserch lowered Davy Corp 5p to 144p. In papers, Inter-national Thomson jumped 10p to 299p encouraged by its imminent disposal of The Times and The Sunday Times, and

Dawson International, the cashmere knitwear group, bucked the market trend yesterday and held at 139p encouraged by a brokers' circular. It pinpointed part of the group's success in the recession as its ability to expand export sales, particularly to Europe, while cutting back on less profitable merchanting and processing.

Hawthorn Leslie added 1p to 136p over resistance to the bid from Starwest.

from Starwest.

Specularive attention lifted Austin Reed "A" 4p to 74p, Sharna Ware 8p to 128p, Gripperrods 12p to 124p, Ofrex 4p to 72p. Milford Docks was firm at 100p after 103p. But profit-taking after recent strong support had Thomas Tilling 10p master at 138p. easier at 138p.
In building speculative atten-

tion had Tilbury Construction

Year's

& Wallington unchanged at 23p, after 31p. Press comment boosted Aberdeen Construction

5p to 154p. News of plans for a £1 coin had Birmingham Mint, a con-tractor for the Royal Mint, jumping 21p to 200p. Bremner expanded 9p to 59p on news of the House of Fraser bid; Sir Hugh Fraser is reported to have a substantial stake in the com-

Electricals saw further ner rousness in Racal, ahead of today's statement, sliding 3p to 305p, while profit-taking clipped 2p from GEC at 598p. Bright spots were seen in STC, 5p heavier at 434p, and Eurotherm International, 2p dearer at 248p, the latter on recent figures which proved better than expected. pected.
Gold shares retreated after

a confident start, upset by the latest fall in the bullion price, down \$7 at \$524.50, leaving a fairly mixed appearance at the close

Equity turnover on January 27 was £126.846m (16,429 bargains). Active stocks yesterday according to the Exchange Tele graph, were: Associated Dairies, Thomas Tilling, Premier Cons, Shell, BICC, European Ferries, Horizon Travel, Thorn EMI, Bass, BP, Barclays, Distillers, GKN and KCA Int. Traded options: Dealers reported interested against with tend traded options: Dealers reported increased activity with total contracts up from 1,186 to 1,335. Lonrho's bid for House of Fraser attracted 1,060 contracts in the former, with BP, its reprise constants on 74 nearest contender, on 74. Traditional options experienced

only moderate interest, although calls were made in Lonrho at 9]p, Simmer & Jack at 31p and Premier at 9]p.

Louis Newmark expects fall in second half

Increased activity in the defence and high technology division of precision engineers Louis Newmark has helped to maintain pretax profit levels in the six months to September. but the second half is likely to show a fall.

The Croydon-based group, which manufactures electronic and precision equipment and holding firmly to last year's level of £1.1m. Sales, however, grew slightly from £14m to £14.68m. Depreciation charges were higher at £288,000, and tax was lifted to £609,000 against £577,000. The interim against 257,000 fee internal gross dividend has been increased to 5.7p compared with 5p last time. Earnings per share rose to 18.4p from 17.4p.

The results, said Mr Geoffrey Newmark, chairman, are in line with the board's original forecast made at the end of last year. Looking ahead, he said vesterday that a reduction in second-half profits is expected as the recession is lasting longer and biring deeper than expected. A fall off in consumer

sales is likely, he said. The group has not provided breakdown of manufacturing or merchanting operations, for the first balf, but the profit split is traditionally 60 per cent from manufacturing and 30 per cent from distribution and imports. However, the last six months has seen a shift in the pattern with a drop in sales from divisions producing for consumer markets.

But this has been compensated for by increased activities from defence and high technology departments, Mr Newmark said. The first half got off to a good start with a contract worth £4m from the Ministry of Defence for equipment for all "Hawk" aircraft of the Royal Air Force.

The board said at the time that if consumer products held up-the group also distributes specialist equipment, needles and accessories for the textile and footwear industries—it, would better profits at this half way stage.

Last year to March 29 the group experienced problems from the engineering strike but was able to report a 17 per cent increase in pretax profits

Rowe Rudd

Greenbank

As the first move in Rowe Rudd's plans to abandon stock-

broking in favour of corporate

finance and other services, a private financial company controlled by two Rowe Rudd partners and an associate is to take

Malton Financial Services yesterday announced an agreed cash bid for Greenbank worth around £1m. Malton, controlled

by Rowe Rudd partners, Mr. Tony Rudd, and Mr. Gerald Kelly, together with Mr. M. R. Postgate, has agreed to pay 120, per cent of the net tangible.

132p a share—or £1.06m—ar December 31. Mr Tony Rude

said yesterday that Malton has

received pleases to accent the offer from 51 per cent of Greenbank's shareholders mainly clients of the trust's

Greenbank's shares returned

Greenbank's shares returned from suspension yesterday at 127p and raced up to 151p dip ing the morning against a presuspension price of 85p, or December 2. The offer document will go out to Greenbank shareholders within a formigh and will reveal details of other

and will reveal details of other investors in Malton.

plan to set up a corporate

finance business, using the 15

per cent of Greenbank's assets

that the law allows investment trusts to put into unquoted businesses without losing their

Once that is done Greenbank

will consider buying some o

the assets of the dissolving Rowe Rudd broking partner ship. Rowe Rudd withdraw

from broking on March 13. M

Tony Rudd said yesterday that the series of development

authorized status,

When the acquisition of Greenbank is completed, Mal-

bankers, Rathbone Bros.

over Greenbank Trust.

to buy

By Catherine Gunn

D F Bevan halves interim dividend and expects loss

was reported yesterday by D. F. Bevan, the West Midlands metal merchants, stockholders and engineers. The interim gross dividend has been halved in the six months to September and Mr John Wardle, the chair-man, warned shareholders that the group would be making losses at the end of the year.

Pretax profits were knocked from £252,000 to £25,000. Sales, however, increased from £6.86m to £7.7m. Although trading profits were reduced by about half, from £337,000 to £169,000, the real burden was interest

A tale familiar for its sectors charges which increased from £85,000 to £144,000. The divi dend is down to 0.35 compared with 0.71p.

The shares slid 2p to 15p, Mr Wardle blamed reduced demand in volume terms, the acute pressure on margins, and higher interest charges for lower profits. With the pros-pects staying extreely poor in the second half, he expected a "not insubstantial loss" in the face of another six months of recessionary conditions. This compared with only four months of the last period which had seen difficult trading.

Trust may switch funds overseas

By Our Financial Staff

dom industry".

Pretax profits in the year to
November 30 rose by 8.3 per
cent to £3.94m and the year's

turing industry to invest In growing companies in service industry or involved in higher technology. As part of this policy Throgmorton bought Capital for Industry last March whose portfolio has been revalued, contributing towards the rise in asset backing. Throg-morton has benefited particu-larly from CFI's stake in Cray Electropics, whose shares have risen more than two and a half

times since last March.
Throgmorton is still committed to investing in smaller Last year Redman Heenan produced companies and save there are planned around Greenhand profits of £2.7m on turnover of signs of "vigorous enterprise should be completed some time at the grass roots of industry" result was affected by reduced profitability on exports, reorganization costs as well as a dustry, hence the proposal to

turnover of printed folded card-

board cartons, and the develop-ment of its plastic and paper

packaging interests. This means

It is estimated that in the

current year, the carton sector will incur a loss in the region

of £200,000 which will nullify the profitability of the other

The directors are confident

that the reorganization will en-

sure that all sectors will con-tribute to the profitability of

the company.

value of Greenbank. According to Greenbank's board that would have valued the trust at

Throgmorton Trust, the specialist in smaller companies from the Keyser Ullman stable, is now thinking of switching funds overseas because of the grapid decline of United King-

dividend has been increased from 7.39p to 8.57p gross. Net asset value a share has also risen by over one fifth, from 105p to 127p.

Throgmorton has been steadily reducing its exposure in traditional areas of manufacturing industry to invest In-

However, the board has become more pessimistic about prospects for manufacturing in-

Ewart nominates two directors

Ewart New Northern share holders have been asked by the board to elect Mr Andrew Hugh Smith, senior partner will Capel-Cure Myers, the com-pany's broker, and Mr R. I Huston, managing director o McLoughlin & Harvey, as direc tors at an extraordinary meet a reduction in the turnover of the group from £6.5m to about £4.2m.

ing on February 12.
The meeting was called after the adjournment of a resolution submitted at the angual meet ing last September to appoin Mr Somerset Gibbs as a direc tor after shareholder opposi tion to the appointment. Mo Gibbs has since withdrawn hi-

Bank Base Rates

Barclays 14% BCC1 14% Consolidated Crdts 14% C. Hoare & Co .. *14% Lloyds Bank ... 14% Midland Bank ... 14% Nat Westminster .. 14% Rossminster 14% TSB 14% Williams and Glyn's 14% " 7 day deposit on sums of £10,000 and under 112%, up to £50,000 1226, over £50,000 1226,

tion of about 75 per cent in its

group plans listing

raise f3m through a placing next month. The group, Espley-Tyas Property, is seeking a Stock Exchange listing and hopes to see dealings in 4m shares start early in March. Carr Sebag is placing the shares at 75p on February 23.

whose last store closed two years ago; Clover Croft & State, a former spinning group which has re-registered under the Espley-Tyas name; and investment property group Consult, owned by Mr Shuck.

of that profit will be capitalized as Consult's current projects are completed and the profits exchanged for shares held by Mr Shuck. He now has 20.1 per cent of the equity but will eventually hold 50.3 per cent. A proforma balance sheet shows net assets of £5.4m, gross

Business appointments

old Kentucky Restaurants merging with Crest Hotels, Mr G. R. Hill and Mr R. F. Beer will join the board of Centre Hotels and Mr G. R. Hill will become chairman.

has slightly increased its hold-ing. On Tuesday, Kangra bought ing. On Tuesday, Kangra bought 955,000 ordinary shares (10.63 per cent) at 85p each, 75,000 4.9 per cent preference at 109p each and 1,000 10 per cent preference at 261½p each. Kangra now owns 5.8m ordinary shares, as well as the preference just acquired; which equals 52.92 per cent of the ross! share capital cent of the total share capital of all classes. Kangra is now

MP Kent in Bristol office deal

Bristol. The purchasers are Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Society which is paying £7.25m in stages during the building period. Completion is due for mid-1982.

making an offer for the capital not already owned. First-half dip at The cost of two more branches and the effects of the

Whitworth Electric

recession are reflected in the lower pretax profits of Whit-worth Electric (Holdings), which dipped from £169,000 to f151,000 in the half-year to September 30, 1980. Turnover edged forward from £5.43m to

There are few signs on the commercial scene for encour-agement, the board warns; sales must rise and overheads be contained in the final quarter of the year if Whitworth is to achieve its objective and emerge from the recession in good commercial shape.

Delyn to reduce caption production Delyn has started a major re-

Building merchandise More than a third of builders merchants expect that sales will fall by as much as 12.5 per cent over the next six months.

according to a survey carried out by the Builders' Merchants Federation

£4,000m from tourism

Britain last year earned f4,000m—just under £11m a
day—from foreign visitors,
according to British Tourist
Authority estimates, Tourism now earned as much for Britain annually as the combined overseas sales of cars, drinks, air-craft, boats and ships, the BTA

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98	88	Deborah Services	96	_	5.5	5.7	4.8
126	88	Frank Horsell	113		6.4	5.7	3.5
110	56	Frederick Parker	56	_	11.0	19.6	2.6
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110	59	Jackson Group	108	_	6.9	6.4	4.1
124	103	James Burrough	120	_	7.9	6.6	9.8
334	244	Robert Jenkins	331	_	31.3	9.5	
53	50	Scruttons 'A'	53		5.3,	10.0	3.8
224	216	Torday Limited	216		15.1	7.0	3.7
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90	69	Twinlock 15% ULS	76	_	15.0	19.7	
56	35	Unilock Holdings	37		3.0	8.1	5.7
102	81	Walter Alexander	101	_	5.7	5.6	5.6
256	181	W. S. Yeates	256		12.1	4.7	4.2

Siemens is to ask its share-holders at the annual meeting on March 19 for authorization would be floated by one of Siemens overseas fluancing

Australian iron ore producer a 29.4 per cent increase in Hamersley Holdings said, a downturn in profits in the second half of 1980, reflecting a recession in the Japanese and European steel industries, would continue this year.

Profits for 1980 rose

2.9.4 per cent increase in iron ore shipped to 38.9 million ore shipped to 38.9 million ore shipped to 38.9 million of shipped to 38.9 million ore shipped to 38.9 million to not shipped to 38.9 million ore shipped to 38.9 million ore shipped to 38.9 million ore shipped to 38.9 million to not shipped to 38.9 million ore shipped to 38.9 million to not shipped to 38.9 million ore shipped to the appreciation of the Australian or shipped to the shipped to the appreciation of the Australian or shipped to the appreciation of the Australian dollar against the shipped to the appreciation of the Australian dollar against the shipped to the appreciation of the Australian dollar against the shipped to the appreciation of the Australian dollar against the shipped to the appreciation of the Australian dollar against the shipped to the appreciation of the Australian dollar against the shipped to the appreciation of the Australian dollar against the shipped to the appreciation of the appr Pretax profits for 1980 rose

by 85 per cent, but the second half of the year provided only A\$15.5m (57.7m) net profit out of the year's total of AS57.2m. The company said the rise a total for the year of 16 cents, in annual profits resulted from against 8 cents in 1979.

Japanese buy coal stake

Japan's six leading steel companies and Mitsui and Co have agreed to acquire a 40 per cent stake in a 5C180m (£62.9m) project to recover coking coal from Alberta's Gregg River district.

Japanese companies, which signed with Alberta's Gregg River Resources Ltd. agreed to bear 40 per cent of the cost of the project.

Industrial sources said the Japanese companies agreed to buy 2.1m tonnes of coking coal from the project for 15 years from 1983.

The sources said the price was 5C73.50 a roone but was subject to an escalation clause,

. International

Siemens slips, but dividend held

to raise equity in three operanominal share for the year to September 30, 1980, on capital increased to DM1,910m from It is seeking approval for a rights issue of up to DM250m of nominal capital to be offered to shareholders either wholly or in parts within a five-year period. The new shares would be offered at no more than figures suggesting that parent company net earnings dropped by DM50m (£10m) last year. After payment of DM306m to DM100 each, but Siemens said

made this year.

The group is also seeking approval for the issue of a debenture with warrants of up to \$250m, or the equivalent in other currencies, in the period up to March 1, 1986. The loan

United States dollar.

Saleable ore produced rose
by 20.3 per cent to AS39.4m,
A final dividend of 7 cents a

share has been declared, making

which would rise with wages

others signed this week between

Canadian companies and a con-

sortium of 10 Japanese steel

and gas concerns by which the

Japanese will buy 5m tonnes of

coking coal and 1m tonnes of steaming coal from the

Qunitette mine, and 1.7m ton-

nnes of coking coal from the

Bullmoose mine, both in British

Canadian sources said that with the agreements signed this

week, Canada will have 25 per

cent of the Japanese coal mar-

ket by 1985 against 19 per cent

The agreement follows two

and other costs.

Columbia.

Hamersley outlook gloomy

use of the facility would not be

Unisec rejects Sage

Unisec believes that the Sage offer cannot be assessed properly by shareholders until the 1980 results, at least, are announced. Unisec strongly advises its shareholders to await further developments.

Volvo setback in 1980



and they took the oportunity to question the board at the Connaught Rooms. £42.1m and Mr Murray pointed out that the

College of Higher Education had asked if they could attend the meeting to see a

Property

A new property group formed from a mixture of dormant and operating companies plans to

and auract new shareholders. As such it might be an alterna-tive investment medium for Espley-Tyes has been put to-gether by Mr Ronald Shuck, chairman from retail group Queen Street, whose shares were suspended in 1979 and foreign investors Siemens said a conditional capital of DM125m would be created to cover conversions by holders of the warrant attached It will also seek shareholders'

approval to issue a further DM150m of nominal capital to cover share issues to employees in the next five years and to in the next five years a help finance acquisitions.

The board of Johannesburg-ased Unisec, considers the offer price from Sage Holdings is little different from that previously rejected, and that the new proposals involve a greater degree of uncertainty. Until Sage lodges with the board of Unisec an offer document which contains all details of the offer, the Unisec board is unable to comment in full on the offer.

AB Volvo reports a group profit after financial income and expenditures of 950m Kr (£87.9m) for 1980 against (1,240m Kr. Group sales were 23,500m Kr. compared with 23,470m Kr. The dividend is held at 8 Kr. Adjusted income per share was 22.40 Kr against 29.40 Kr. Gross capital invest-ment reached 1,550m Kr compared with 962m last year.
Fourth-quarter income after financial items was 144m Kr against 383m Kr, corresponding to 2.2 per cent against 5.8 per

SEET continues to flout recession

English and European Textiles is still not letting the recession stand in its way. It raised profits in the half-year to October 31 by 3.7 per cent to £672,000.

exports accounting for over 64 per cent of this. However, margins, on a pretax basis, are slightly lower at 9.8 per cent, compared with 10.3 per cent

The new group is forecasting pre-tax profits of £1.6m at September 30, 1981, and a gross dividend of 3.3p. Some £920,000

debt of £5.91m and cash in hand of £1.8m.

Renwick holding Kangra International Holdings, which recently gained control of the Renwick Group.

The following will retire from the board of Coral Leisure Group: Mr L. Cohen, Mr D. P. Johnson, Mr K. Mundy and Mr R. G. Whitehead.

Mr Robert Barbanell has become president of Ameon Group, the parent and central financing company for the North American activities of Consolidated Gold Fields, London. Re succeeds Mr David Lloyd-Jacob, who becomes chairman and chief executive officer.

G. R. Hill will become chairman. Centre Hotels will continue to be operated under that trading name for the time being. Pontins, including Pontinental but excluding Coral Islands, will be operated as a separate company with Mr A. W. N. Lake as chairman and Mr T. J. Hemmings as managing director. Mr T. Jones, Mr G. Moore and Mr P. C. Sherlock will join the board. Coral Islands and Coral Entertainments, excluding Greyhound Stadia, will become part of Bass Leisure, of which company Mr A. W. N. Lake is chairman and Mr P. C. Sheelock managing director. Mr K. Tucker will continue as chairman of Coral Racing and will be responofficer.

Mr David Pike becomes chairman and chief executive of Liberty & Co on February 1 in succession to Mr Arthur I. Stewart-Liberty who retires from the chair, but continues as a non-executive director.

Mr E. Wynn Owen has been elected cherrman of the Life Offices' Association.

Mr F. P. Chilton and Mr I. A. Waite have joined the board of Sedgwick North America. Mr Michael A. A. Birtwistle has Building Society.

> Mr W. Bostock of Mineraline has been elected president of the National Federation of Plastering ontractors for 1981-82.

> > Mr Gary Hudson in the new director of officione construction at Fred Oisen.

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spurns bid By Our Financial Staff Admiral Sir Horace Law, chairman of R. & W. Hawthorn, Leslie, has written to share-holders strongly recommending rejection of a £3.75m bid by Starwest Investment Holdings. The board believes the offer document is "opportunist and inadequate", he says.

Evered: Board recommends increased offer of 55p from Francis Industries for preference shareholders. Intended that the offer

will be posted on February 2.

Town & Country Building Society:
For 1980. assets totalled £320.8m
(£292.6m), mortgage advances
were £43.3m (£46.1m). Investors
balances, including accrued interest at £18.6m (£13.1m), totalled
£291.7m (£267.9m).

Principality Building Society: In
1980 assets rose 19.18 per cent
to reach £298.7m. Net receipts
were £30.6m and advances £38.1m.
Leicesler Building Society: Assets
£1.606.7m (£1,299.0m) for 1980.
Mortgage advances were £243.5m
(£253.8m). Investment receipts—
including interest—— £742m
(£642.8m). Inadequate?, he says.

Investment group M & G, which holds 24.6 per cent of Hawthorn, Leslie, said last night that it would be backing the present hoard against the 130p-a-share bid. Yesterday the shares closed at 136p.

(£100m).

AGB Research: Has now completed acquisition for £300,000 of Attwood Research of Ireland and Irish Tam. Attwood research is the leading Irish consumer panel company, and Irish Tam undertakes the official television audience measurement contract in the Republic of Ireland. Starwest, a private company controlled by Mr Remo Dipre, also offered 45p a share for the preference capital. The Prudential bas a 7.7 per cent stake. Directors of Hawthorn, Leslie Alisa Investment Trust: Nav per share at December 31 after prior charges at nominal value 195.8p (155.4p). And at market value 200.3p (150.3p).

intend to reject the bid on behalf of their own 5.6 per cent holdings. Starwest has 41.5 per cent of the equity. The closing date for acceptances is February 9. Past offers from Starwest for other groups have been overtaken by successful counterbids. Mr Neil List, a director of Hawthorn, Leslie,

said yesterday that the group was not talking to anyone else at present. "The best future for Hawthorn, Leslie is as an independent unit", he said. has written to all shareholders of Davy Corporation to affirm his group's intention of proceeding with offer for Davy. Sir Horace Law's letter warns shareholders to expect poor

companies and have a life of 15 years. The subscription price for the Siemens shares would be fixed at the average

stock exchange price applying in the ten days before eventual floration of the loan.

Siemens said this issue is in

tended to finance its growing international business abroad

meeting: Mr Angus Murray, chairman, talking to accountancy and finance students including Miss Christine Knubley yesterday in London after the close of business. The 19 students and three lecturers from Luton

general reduction in margins.

After record pretax profits of £1.4m in 1979-80, Scottish,

Group turnover was 9 per cent higher at £6.85m, with

Lifting the interim dividend from 1.14p to 1.28p gross, the chairman, Mr J. H. M. Mackenzie, reports trading in the second half's continues to be "satisfactory" SEET's shares rose by 4p to 65p on the news.

The board of M. P. Kent has forward sold a 74,000 sq ft office scheme at present under construction at Old Market,

Kangra raises

organization of the company. The changes consist of a reduc-

Hotels and leisure group changes

ecome a director of Burnley Mr D. A. H. Baer and Mr Ernest H. Sharp have joined the board of Temple Ear Investment

Mr Desmond Reeves has been appointed director in charge of Noble Lowndes the Hill Samuel Group subsidiary based in New York.

Mr I. A. Holland has become a seriner in Bernard Phillips & Co.

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POTATOTE (Gaita).—Feb. £44.50, April, 157.20; Nov. £53.70. Sales 164, (All of 40 tonnes each.)

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World grain prices are likely Sierling 81.6
US dollar 88.4
Canadian dollar 79.8
Schilling 143.3
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Danish kronec 99.1
Deutsche mark 142.9
Swiss franc 182.9
Guilder 121.2
French iranc 121.2
French iranc 146.4 to continue rising throughout the 1980-81 season, according to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

A report by the OECD agriculture committee attributed the likely increase to the small Soviet harvest and the sharp fall in United States courses fall in United States coarse grain output and said these factors were also likely to bring a sharp reduction in end of season stocks. It quoted the Food and Agri-**EMS**, Currency Rates culture Organization as saying that stocks were likely to fall to 207 million tonnes at the end 1980-81 compared with 244 million tonnes at end 1979-80.

The OECD said total production of coarse grains in its 24 tion of coarse grains in its 24 member countries in 1980-81

were sharply reduced, and the Soviet harvest is well below Quoting International Wheat Council figures, the report estimated 1980 world wheat output at 430 million tonnes.

Eurosyndicat The Eurosyndicat Index on European share prices was put provisionally at 146.32 on January 27 against 147.85 a week earlier.

Discount market

New York Monireal Amsterdam Brussels Copenhagen Dublin Frankfurt Lisbon

Indices

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Sterling: Spot and Forward

Market rates (day's range) January 28 (close) January 28 52.4020-4130 52.4085-4085 52.8670-87650 5.40-470 5.45-467 50.45-56 15.31-47k 1.3295-3440p 1.32.95-3440p 1.32.95-3440p 1.32.95-360 198 95-197.40p 1.32.95-80-11 1.309-112k 11.47-87f 10.91-99k 10.90-974k 485-95y 35.25-50sch 4.52-57-6f

Bankof Morgan England Guaranty Index Changes

Based on trade weighted changer from Washington agreement December.1971, (Bank of England Judex 100),

Belgian franc 39.7897 41.6688 +4.72
Danish krone 7.7236 8.82439 +4.25
German D-mark 2.48208 2.59837 +4.69
Prench franc 5.84700 5.98707 +2.40
Dutch gulder 2.74362 2.82439 +2.94
Irish punt 0.668201 0.693743 +3.83
Italian lira 1157.79 1232.83 +6.48

1%) calls, 15-19-2; seven days, 173-18; one month, 18-18-4; three months, 179-175; six months, 18-17-17.

Euro-\$Deposits Gold

-22.4 -5.9 -18.6 +21.2 +10.2 -9.3 +37.6 +74.4 +16.4 -8.9 -53.2 +43.4

Foreign exchange report The dollar and sterling went. The pound's strength against continentals was emphasized by from strength to strength yester-

day on active but rather pervous its advance against the D-mark moving over the Dm 5 level for At the close; the dollar was the first time in 5 years to finish easing back on some transatiantic profit-taking but still registered appreciable gains against most major currencies.

At the close; the dollar was the first time in 5 years to finish at 5.0250 (4.9750 overnight).

Although below its best level in dollar terms the pound still ended 42.5 points in front at 2.4090 com-

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Dollar Spot

* Ireland quoted in US currency, †Canada \$1 : US \$0.8370-0.8373

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†Canada
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Belgium
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Portugal Spain Italy Norway

France Sweden Japan Austria Switzerland

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It was a flat day for the discount market yesterday. Credit proved to be in adequate supply, so no intervention was required of the authorities.

The one factor likely to have caused any disruption was the issue of the new convertible "tap" stock.

In the event, this proved to have been just about 50 per cent subscribed, according to market estimates,

The one factor likely to have caused any disruption was the issue of the new convertible measured by its effective exchange markets.

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Other

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Effective exchange rate compared to December 21, 1971, was up 6.4% to 81.650. **Money Market**

Rates 1.7950-1.7980**
1.1935-1.1938
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6.39-8.4
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51.80-81.90 Bank of England MLR 14% (Last changed 24/11/80) Clearing Banks Base Rate 14% Discount Mkt Loans (*) Overnight: High 134

Week Fixed: 134-132 Treasury Bills (Disc.)

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Interbank Market (%)
Overnight: Open 144 * Close 14 * Close 14 * 1 * Week | 142-144 | 6 months 132-132 | 1 month | 142-144 | 9 months 132-134 | 3 months 142-134 | 12 months 132-134 | Gold fixed: am. \$524.50 (an ounce); pm, \$523.50 close, \$524.50, Krugerrand (per cola); \$539-542 (£223, 524, 751, Sovereigns (new); \$133-135 (£55-56). First Class Finance Houses (Mki: Rate(b) 3 months 1411;-147; 6 months 14-137; Finance House Base Rate 152%

Wall Street

New York, Jan 28.—Prices on the New York Stock Exchange declined as the NYSE Index lost 0.40 to 74.78 and the average price per share 19 cents. The Dow Jones industrial average lost 6.91 to 942.58 and declines led advances 793 to 675.

Johns to hard average lost 6.31 to 942.58 and declines led advances 793 to 675.

Among the oils, active Texaco lost I to 415, ex-dividend, Amerada Hess 11 to 391. Atlantic Richfield 11 to 602, Mobil two to 751 and even Exxon, which plans a two-for-one split, lost I to 761.

Superior Oil dropped 34 to 2021, Sun Company, Ic to 412, Phillips Petroleum I to 532 and Pennzoil 8 to 421. Sun and Phillips reported lower fourth quarter net. Pennzoil sold \$200m of 10-year notes.

Active S Steel continued to gain following yesterday's surprise dividend increase. Steel hit a two-year high of 27 but ended at 261 up 1.

Trans Union gained \$ to 54\$. It

SiLVER (others closed 0.3 to 11 cents lower on speculative sciling. Feb. 1335 50c; Starch. 1330.0-158.0c; May 1390.00-1400.0c; July. 1436.00c; Sept. 1475.50c; Dec. 1535.00c; July. 1475.50c; March 1590.00c; May. 1632.50c; March 1590.00c; Sept. 1476.50c; Sept. 1710.50c. 10.2.302: July, 1711.302.

GOLD fatures were: CHICAGO IMM, 7-bb. \$508.50 asked: March, \$515.50-\$13.00; April \$520.00 asked: June, \$535.50-\$13.00; April \$520.00 asked: June, \$535.500.00 asked: June, \$535.500.00; April \$520.00 bd. April \$500.00 asked: June, \$535.00 asked: June, \$525.00 asked: June, \$500.00 asked: June, \$500.

SUCAR losses ranged from 0.55c to 0.55c; March, 27.50-28.00c; May. 28.70c; Sept. 28.70c; Sept. 28.00c; Oct. 27.70-27.80c; Jan. 25.35c bid-25.45c asked; March, 25.45-25.50c; May. 25.35c bid-25.60c asked.

COFFER futures closed with pared gains of 0.43 to 1.52 cents in all

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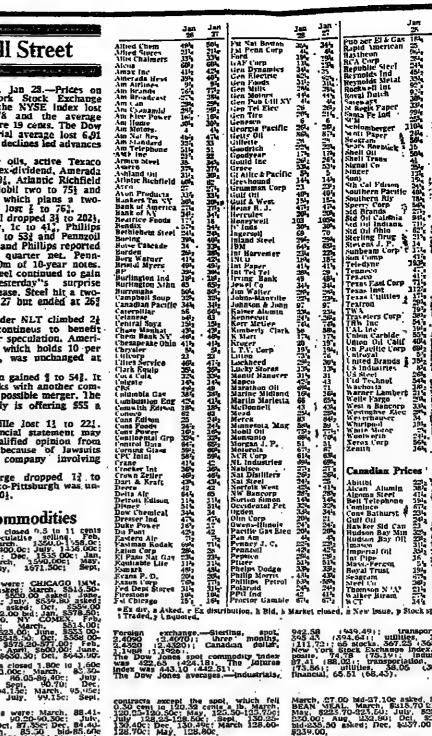
Volume leader NLT climbed 24

to 29%. It contineus to benefit from takeover speculation. Ameri-can General, which holds 10 per cent of NLT, was unchanged at is holding talks with another com-pany about a possible merger. The Pritzger family is offering \$55 a

Johns-Manville lost 11 to 221. Its 1980 financial statement may receive a qualified opinion from Its auditors because of lawsuits against the company involving against the company involving asbestos.

Buffalo Forge dropped 12 to 271 and Ampco-Pittsburgh was un-changed at 301.

US commodities



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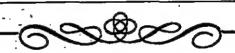
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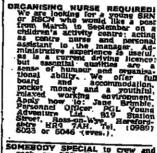
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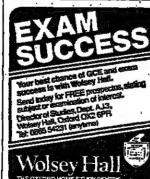
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How well do you get on with your neighbours? Mine, I'm happy to say, are tolerant of my natural-look garden which receives the minimum amount of attention during the year and my occasional noisy excesses. But I'm lucky. Some people are engaged in a constant vendetta with their neighbours sometimes over something that seems trivial to the outsider. In Man Alive's Those People Next Door (BBC 2, 9.30 pm) reporter Jeanne La Chard takes a look at neighbourly disputes and asks if anything can be done to reconcile the aggreeved parties. Among the complainants are the residents of Burngreve Street. Sheffield, who seem to have the archetype Frank parties. Among the complainants are the residents of Burngreve Street, Sheffield, who seem to have the archetype Frank Spencer living at number 50. Because of his passion for do-it-neurself the street's electricity and gas supplies have been cut off at various times, water mains damaged and a plague of rats followed an overflow of sewage in the street. Other fallen-out neighbours in the programme are two families in Airedale who constantly argue about the party hedge to such an extent that the police have been called several times to keep the beace. Apparently that dispute had its roots in a betrowed the peace. Apparently that dispute had its roots in a betrowed cup of sugar 27 years ago. An entertaining programme as long as you are on good terms with your neighbours.

9 David Attenborough's Wildlife on One (BBC 1, 8.05 pm) © David Attendorough's white the work of continues with a remarkable film featuring the work of puderwater cameraman Walt Deas and his wife Jean, They came underwater cameraman Walt Deas and bis wife Jean. They came to live on Heron Island, a desert island on the Great Barrier Reef, after emigrating from Scotland 15 years ago. The island is surrounded by exotic fish ranging from the sharp toothed Versy Ect and Wants Rays measuring ten feet across to shoals of the little Fish Fry. In the programme, Jean, who is a skilled diver, shows how friendly some of the fearsome-looking fish really are by coaxing some Moray Bels from their coral lairs. She also explains the relationship between marine life and the birds and plants that inhabit the island including thousands of nesting Novidy Term's and a tree that sometimes trans them. nesting Norldy Terms and a tree that sometimes traps them.

Wedged between Mozert's opera, Idomenco, Re di Creta, is the second of Mary Goldring's reports on what life is like for Whites in Zimbahwe (Radio 4, 8,30 pm). It is a year since they have seen their uninterrupted rule brought to a close and, as Mary Goldring found out, they are taking time to adjust to the

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9.00 am For Schools, Colleges: Europe from the Air; 9.25 Geometry: 9.47 Science-sorting materials ; 10.10 Merry go Round ; 10.35 Scene-Fawity Towers 11.05 Snow and Ice; 11.30 Search-the coming of the castles; 11.55 The Living Sea. Closedown at 12.20 pm.

1.00 Pebble Mill at One, In his regular feature Film Focus, Tony Bilbow has as his guest the young actress Margot Kidder, who is est known for her role as Lois Lane, the journalist girl-friend of Superman. 1.45 Bod. John Le Mesurier and Maggie Henderson narrate the story of Bod and the Kite (r). 2.00 You and Me. 2.15 Kite (r). 2.00 You and Me. 2.15
For Schools. Colleges: Music; 2.40 Television Club. A Place like Home. Closedown at 3.00. 3.35
Play School (shown earlier on BBC 2). 4.20 Undercover Elephant. Cartoon (r). 4.25 Jackanory, Joacna David continues with the story, By the Shores of Silver Lake, 4.40 Heldi. The final episode of the seventeen-part serial finds our young heroine back home with her

and 11.30).
4.00 Open University: What's it all About? 4.25 Home Sweet Dome. 4.50 The Pre-School Child: All in a day's Work. 5.15 S101 Preparatory Maths.: Graphs. 5.30

9.30 am For Schools: A behindthe-scenes look at ITN; 9.52 Fortone Telling; 10.09 Working
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Biology; 11.10 Good Health.
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12.00 Gideon. Cartoon adventures
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Brooke-Taylor, 12.10 pm Stepping
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and Jean Ders who share their life with all the exotic inhabitants of the island and the surrounding sea (see Personal Choice). 8,30 Partners. A new comedy serial in six parts featuring a floundering 5.35 Harold Lloyd* Excerots from two of his films—The Freshman and Haunted Spooks 6.00 Music-Hall Greats: Bottoms Upi* (1960) starring Jimmy Edwards as the crooked headmaster in a feature film inspired, if that's the word, by his successful Whack-O series. 7.25 News with a sub-tilled synopsis for the hard-of-hearing. 7.35 International Snooker. A further visit to the Wembley Conference Centre for the Benson

5.40 News read by Angela Rippon.
5.55 Regional News. 6.20 Nationwide Including Celtic Connections in which reporter Bill Kerr Eliiont concludes his journey of discovery to find the rebirth of a sense of Celtic identity. 7.00 Tomorrow's World. Among the topics this evening are a portable field, a car that will cross the Thames on the river bed and the best way to roast

bed and the best way to roast meat. 7.25 Top of the Pops intro-duced by Tommy Vance.

8.05 Wildlife on One. David Attenborough visits Australia's Great Barrier Reef where, on Heron Island, he talks to Walt

11.00 am Play School. The presenters are Floella Benjamin and Fred Harris. The story is Edward Lear's The Jumblies. Closedown at 11.25. 2.00 pm International Snooker The Benson and Redges Masters Tournament introduced by Desmond Lynam. On parade this afternoon will be Alex Higgins who will play Doug Mountjoy for a place in the semi-finals. The commentators are Ted Lowe. Jack Karnehm and John Palman (Further coverage at 7.35, 10.15 and 11.30). ference Centre for the Benson and Hedges Masters. 8.00 Writers and Places: John Fowles and The Emigma of Stoneheage.

3.30 Russell Harty. His guests this evening are Anne Ziegler and Webster Booth.

9.00 The Little World of Don Camillo. Part four of the adaptation by Hugh Leonard of Giovanni

star who was forcibly retired through injury (r), 3.45 in Loving Memory. Thora hird and Christopher Beeny star as the proprietors of an inefficient firm of undertakers (r): 4.15 Dr Swoggles. Cartoon escapades of a lovahle inventor. 4.20 Bugs Bunny and Friends, Cartoons. 4.45 Champion Cup Gymastics. John Taylor and Susan king from The Royal Albert Hall where competition is under way in the Daily Mirror Champions Cup. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm.

5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News with

Andrew Gardner and Rita Carter. 6.25 Help! presented by Viv Tay-lor Gee. A preview of the two-

grandfather, 5.05 John Craven's Newsround. World news for youngsters presented in a non-patronising way. S.10 Blue Peter. Two celebrations raday. The famous disappearing Blue Peter cats are five years old and the centenary of Anna Paylova's birth is merked by archive film of her dancing.

5.35 The Perishers. Series based on The Dally Mirror carbon strip with the voice of Leonard Rossier as Bool. and the about to be divorced partners.

5.00 News read by Richard Baker.

Final episode in the espionage thriller starring Malcolm Stoddard and Mary Tamm.

10.15 Question Time. Robin Day

chairs this public brains trust. On his panel this evening at the Greenwood Theatre, London, are Frances Morrell. David Owen, David Steel and Peter Walker. tective is on the trail of a private investigator who tries to make a murder look like a suicide (r).

12.10 am Weather.

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Guareschi's famous books dealing with the love-hate relationship between a communist village mayor and the parish pnest. Mario Adorf plays the tormented priest and Brian Blessed the mayor. 5-30 Man Alive. Jeanne La Chard investigates the causes, sometimes investigates the causes, sometimes humerous, sometimes sad, of why neighbours sometimes fall out (see Personal Choice).

10.15 International Snooker. Another visit to Wembley introduced by Desmand Lynam.

18.45 Newsnight. The latest news plus background information from Peter Snow Charles Wheeler, John Tusa and Peter Hobday.

11.30 International Snooker. The final visit today to the Wembley Centre where play is taking place Centre where play is taking place in the Benson and Hedges Masters. The programme ends at 12.15 am.

story starring Joanna-Lumley and David McCallum.
8.30 TV Eye. A filmed report of the seven imprisoned British mercenaries captured in Namibia seven years ago and an interview with another soldier-of-fortune who claims he has worked as an undercover agent for the South undercover agent for the South series featuring yet another police precinct in America. Although the action is tough there is an under-current of humour. 10.00 News.

10.30 Take Six: Rivott Steps. A film made by Derek Jones and Nick Glibey about the cut throat world of the highly organized Junior Baliroom Dancing Competi-Junior Balircom Dancing Competition circuit and in particular two of the participants. Michelle Hirst, aged 12. and Alan Dixon, 14. 11.00 The New Avengers. The three trime fighters find themselves in the wilds of Canada grappiling with a team of super killers who plan to take over the world, 12.00 What the Papers say. Peter Paterson reviews what the press has been printing this past week.

Man; Home or Away. 2.00-3.00 Schools: Living Language; Look!; Living through History, 11-00-11.30 Study on 4: Punn di vista (13). 35 Yesterday in Parliament.

Radio 3

6.55 am Weather. 5.35 am weater:
7.03 News.
7.05 Records: Helendaal, Johann
Bach. Handel, Marc' Antonio,
Antonio Lotti, Vivaldi.†
8.00 News.
8.05 Records: Haydn arr Salomon,
Corelli arr Setacciolii, Britten.†
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9.00 News. 9.05 Week's Composer, Rimsky-9.05 Week's Composer, Korsakov. 10.09 Delme String Quartet: Haydn, Daniel Jones (10.40-10.45 Reading), Brahms.† 11.25 Piano: Tippett, Bartok, 12.05 pm Beethoven's Mass in C

3.02 Plan. For the Man who has Everything, by-Steve Flizpatrick.† 4.69 Fritz Spiegl's Musical Alpha-1.05 Trevor Pinnock (harpsichord) John Bull, William Randall, Byrd, Bach.† 2.09 Songs and plano: Late 4.15 Bookshelf: 4.45 Story: No Fond Return of Love (9).
5.00 PM.
6.00 News. Fauré † 3.10 Youth Orchestras : Wagner, Peter Maxwell Davies, Elgar (4.5-4.15 Reading). Strauss, Ravel.† 6.23 Any Answers ? 6.55 It's a Bargain. 7.00 Idomeseo, Re Di Creta, opera 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.† 7.00 As Radio 4. 8.30 The Eternal Husband, by

Dostoevsky (4). Words, by Owen Dudley Edwards. 10.05 Hindemith : String Quartet No 3, Op 22. 10.35 A Mozart Pilgrimage (2) Encounters in Salzburg. 11.00 News. 11.65-11.15 Alice Artzt (guitar):

9.05-9.30 am Schools: A Service for Schools: Music Interlude. 10.00 Schools: Sounds, Words and Movement: Music Interlude: Stories and Rhymes. 10.30-10.47 Listen with Mother. 11.00-12.00 Schools: Time and Tune (12); Radio 2

5.00 am News. 5.03 Bob Kübey.†
7.32 Terry Wogan.† 10.03 Jimmy
Young. † 12.03 pm David Bamilton.† 2.03 Ed Stewart.† 4.03 Much
More Music.† 6.03 John Dunn.†
8.02 Country Club.† 9.02 Alan

Dell. † 10.02 A Very Private Man, with Rodney Bewes. 10.30 Star Sound Extra. 11.02 Brian Matthew. 2.02 am-5.09 You and the Night

Radio 1

S.00 am As Radio 2. 7.00 Mike Read. 9,00 Simon Bares. 11.00 Andy Peobles. 12.30 pm Newsbeat. 12.45 Steve Wright. 2.32 Days Lee Travis. 4.32 Peter Powell. 7.80 Wheels. 8.00 Richard Skinner. 10.02.12.00 John Beel H. 10.02-12.00 John Peel.+ VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2 5.00 am With Radio 2. 10.00 pm With Radio 1. 12.00-5.00 am With Radio 2.

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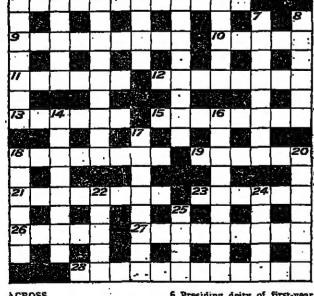
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10 Legendary Irish Queen Mann Number One (5). 11 Where one went on strike under the 28 (6). 12 Where Canada got the gold in 1896 (8).

13 Herb could be a worry (6). 15 It gives colour to the question "Do. you cat too much?" (8).

18 Cruiserweight thus up, but not at home, we hear (6).
20 Relations eased by some-18 A student getting a gun is ominous (8).

19 Do a capital take-off (6). 21 Trade was bad in this direction (8).

24 Up about here in Fraction (8). tion (8).

23 "— thee, 22!" said the 25 Such bands as strong as the sailor's wife, in play (6).

11 man's muscles (4). 26 He kept stage characters

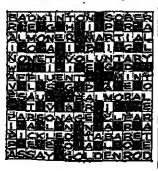
27 Paint colour picked out by a mini-lover (9). 28 it helped to cool the situa-tion for 11's striker (8, 4).

1 Bird chary of the set-up (7). 2 If gun is snarled up, look for signs of mould (5). 3 Low creature coming before the beak early on (9). 4 This Tory told to evoke

5 ls better than open-air theatre productions (8).

8 Her enemy turned up concerning this (6). 14 By the way, a border raid does damage (8).

22 Sec 23 (5).



6 Presiding deity of first-year students, say? (5). 7 For which corn-growers foot

16 Weapon, brand-new, found in the kitchen garden (9).

17 Makes an impression in French wine (8). not at home, we hear (6).

20 Relations eased by something pitched in the river (7).

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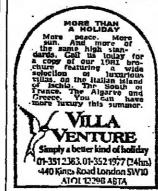
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